

Fort Detrick



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Medical Research, Strategic Communication, and
Defense Medical Logistics.*



**2008 Post Guide
and Telephone Directory**

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Welcome

Welcome to Fort Detrick. We are dedicated to providing a community of excellence to Servicemembers, civilian employees, military retirees and Families.

This guide was prepared to give you insight and acquaint you with Fort Detrick and its three main missions. It also provides you with information about our services, facilities, and area attractions to make your assignment more memorable.

Fort Detrick is a U.S. Army Medical Command installation supporting a multi-governmental community that conducts biomedical research and development, medical materiel management, global telecommunications, and the study of foreign plant pathogens. Each branch of the U.S. military is represented among the approximately 7,900 military, federal, and contractor employees assigned here.

Fort Detrick serves five cabinet-level agencies: The Department of Defense, Department of Homeland Security, Department of Agriculture, and Department of Health and Human Services and Department of Veterans Affairs. Fort Detrick's Defense Department support also includes elements of the U.S. Navy, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Air Force and the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Beyond that, Fort Detrick supports several unified and major Army commands, U.S. Army Forces Command, U.S. Army Space Command, U.S. Army Network Enterprise Technology Command, and U.S. Army Medical Command.

Finding Fort Detrick

The installation is located within the boundaries of the City of Frederick, which offers modern housing, schools, recreation areas, excellent utilities, and access to major metropolitan areas.

Fort Detrick is situated northwest of Baltimore, Maryland (46 miles) and north of Washington, D.C., (45 miles), in Frederick County, Maryland which adjoins Virginia, West Virginia and Pennsylvania. The major highways that access the county are I-70, I-270, U.S. 15, U.S. 40, U.S. 40A and U.S. 340. Frederick County is easily accessible by automobile, air, train, and motor coach. Reagan National, Dulles International and Baltimore/Washington International airports are less than an hour from Frederick, which is also served by Frederick Municipal Airport. A Greyhound Bus Service is also located in Frederick City. There is a MARC commuter rail station in downtown Frederick.

If you're coming from Washington D.C., take I-270 North to Frederick, where it merges with U.S. Route 15 North. Take the 7th Street Exit, and follow the signs to Fort Detrick's Veterans Gate visitor's entrance.

If you're coming from Baltimore, take I-70 West to Frederick, and follow signs to Route 15 North, Exit 53A. Take the 7th Street Exit, and follow the signs to Fort Detrick's Veterans Gate.

Area Climate

Temperatures in the winter usually range between the upper 20s to low 40s with nighttime temperatures occasionally dropping into the low teens. Typically, summers are hot and humid with temperatures in the 80s to low 90s during the day and overnight lows in the upper 60s to low 70s. During inclement weather there may be changes to the installation's operating hours. Call the Fort Detrick Weather Line at 301-619-7611 or 1-800-256-7621 for updates.

Courtesy to Colors

Military and civilian personnel must render courtesy to the colors during Reveille and Retreat. Reveille is sounded at 6 a.m., Monday through Friday. Retreat is sounded Monday through Sunday at 5 p.m. When Retreat is sounded, military, as well as civilians, should face the flag and stand at attention. Vehicles must stop and all passengers should get out and face the flag. If the flag is not within sight, persons should face toward the music. When "To the Colors" is sounded, appropriate salutes should be rendered.

Appearance

All military members assigned to any organization at Fort Detrick are expected to comply with service regulations and directives concerning personal dress and appearance.

Military bearing should always be a way of life for Servicemembers. The wearing of appropriate uniform is an important element of military life at Fort Detrick.

Utility uniforms, specifically the battle dress uniform, are authorized for wear off post during duty hours (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) for essential personal business that must be accomplished during duty hours when an establishment is not open on weekends or after the normal duty day. Examples include car repairs, licensing, dropping off or picking up children from daycare and for lunch at fast food establishments.

After normal duty hours, utility uniforms may be worn during travel directly to and from work and emergency or essential stops. Under no circumstances will utility uniforms be worn to nightclubs, bars, or other entertainment facilities off post.

Business Development

Vision

The Fort Detrick Business Development Office is the primary portal and lead organization in establishing partnerships and business agreements between the business community and community organizations and the mission partners located at Fort Detrick. The office provides support for access to needed emerging technologies and assists in developing opportunities for business, business collaboration, and small business subcontracting prospects. This exchange of technology and business activities encourages the stimulation of economic growth on a local, state, and national basis.

Mission

The Fort Detrick Business Development Office assists the aspiring government contractor with answers to their questions regarding how to find opportunities and do business with Fort Detrick and the Mission Partners.. The office also serves as a bridge between Fort Detrick and private enterprise stimulating collaboration and cooperative business activities.

The office:

- Develops and maintains an active client database of local and



regional vendors for use by contracting agencies at Fort Detrick and its mission partners..

- Prepares the Advanced Acquisition Forecast
- Offers pro-active Business Development Assistance for the FDBDO client
- Provides timely communications regarding upcoming events, meetings, symposia and similar activities that provide additional training and knowledge to the FDBDO client
- Features vendors with a "Vendor of the Month" Program
- Provides active, on-request market research for the contracting agencies at Fort Detrick and their customers
- Assists in active development of Client alliances; partnerships and teaming with each other and with major prime contractors
- Hosts training to ensure that the client is prepared for the ever-changing tapestry of federal procurement
- Provides outreach via participation in national organizations including National Contracting Management Association; Armed Forces Communications Electronics Association and local venues including the Rotary and Chamber of Commerce.

Phone number for the Fort Detrick Business Development Office is 301-620-7071



Helpful Telephone Information

Telephone prefixes: 301-619
and extension

DSN 343 and extension

To dial an office on post, use a
"3" before the four-digit extension.

**FOR THE POST OPERATOR
PLEASE CALL (301) 619-8000**

Emergency.....	911
Staff Duty Officer	Ext. 3626
Base Locator	Ext. 2233
Chaplain	Ext. 7371
Civilian	
Human Resources Office	Ext. 2247
Computer Help Desk	Ext. 2049
Environmental Hotline	Ext. 3918
Facilities Engineers	Ext. 2726
Fire Nonemergency	Ext. 2528/2331
Household Goods/ Personal Property	Ext. 7179/7159
ICE	1-800-256-7621
Legal Assistance/Claims	Ext. 2065
Military Personnel	Ext. 7311
Police Nonemergency	Ext. 7114
Safety Officer.....	Ext. 3135
Telephone Repair	Ext. 2504
Weather Line.....	Ext. 7611

Toll-free Customer Service Line:
1-800-256-7621,
press *8, 3 and the four-digit extension
and then pound key (#).

History



1889

Fort Detrick was named after Frederick Louis Detrick, born April 21, 1889, in New Market, Md.



1931

Camp Detrick circa 1931.



After 1952

Building 470 was the Pilot Plant after 1952.



1956

View of the main entrance to Fort Detrick in 1956.



Fort Detrick's service to the nation carries on the legacy of the Frederick County patriots who played major roles in the development of the Nation. Five farms originally constituted what is today known as Area A, or the main post area, where most activities are located.

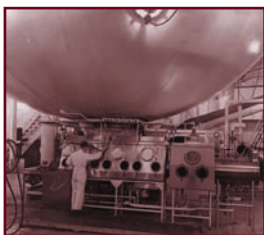
Fort Detrick traces its roots to the small municipal airport known as Detrick Field in the 1930s.

The first military presence was the encampment of the 104th Aero Squadron of the Maryland National Guard. It was named Camp Detrick to honor squadron surgeon Maj. Frederick L. Detrick who served in France during World War I. Major Detrick died in June 1931, two months before the first encampment, August 10, 1931.

Detrick Field was a cadet pilot training center until December 1941. The 2nd Bombardment Squadron, U.S. Army Air Corps, was reconstituted at Detrick Field between March and September 1942, when it deployed to England becoming the nucleus of the new Eighth Air Force headquarters.

The U.S. Biological Laboratories were established at Detrick Field in 1943, achieving pioneering efforts in decontamination, gaseous sterilization, and agent purification.

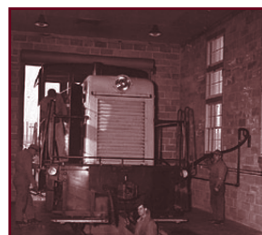
Camp Detrick became Fort Detrick in 1956, continuing its mission of biomedical research and its reputation as the world's leading research campus for agents requiring specialty containment. The offensive biological warfare program was disestablished in 1969. The closing of the former biological warfare



Workers perform a test on the One-Million Liter Sphere, the "Eight-Ball," the largest aerobiology chamber constructed.



Techniques were devised for detecting, sampling, and identifying a great variety of pathogens and their toxic products.



Fort Detrick switch engine parked over the pit in the repair house, which became the former Post Chapel.



1971

President Richard M. Nixon greets the public outside former Headquarters, Building 812, during his visit October 19, 1971.

laboratories gave way to a period of transition in the 1970s. Former laboratories and land were transferred to the Department of Health and Human Services; the National Cancer Research and Development Center was established in 1971 and is now called the National Cancer Institute-Frederick.

The installation has grown in the scope of its operations and now has an interagency-agency campus; it houses all of the military services as well as non Department of Defense organizations.

The installation has matured as a center for advanced biomedical research and development, medical materiel management, and long-haul telecommunications for the White House, Department of Defense, and other governmental agencies. The National Interagency Biodefense Campus is being developed here and by 2013 will co-locate the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIH) and the National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center (DHS) with the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases—to provide opportunities for scientific coordination, education, and partnerships.

Fort Detrick was annexed into the city of Frederick in 1983 and partners with the city on many progressive endeavors that benefit everyone in the community. Fort Detrick is the largest employer in Frederick County with more than 7,900 Servicemembers, federal civilians, and contractors. An estimated \$500 million is brought into the community through salaries and contracts. Many of its people teach in local schools and colleges and serve as members of service and charitable organizations.

Fort Detrick has four structures on the National Historic Register including the Nallin Farm House, the Bank Barn, Spring House, and the One Million Liter Sphere, also called the "Eight Ball."

Fort Detrick is recognized as a Community of Excellence, having won the Army Chief of Staff Community of Excellence Award in 1999, and was one of the top five installations in the 2004 competition.

FUTURE OF FORT DETRICK

The National Interagency Biodefense Campus

The U.S. Congress determined the need to establish a National Institutes of Health/National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) facility and a Department of Homeland Security facility at Fort Detrick to take advantage of the existing expertise in biodefense research located at the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases (USAMRIID). The intent of Congress was for the agencies to work collaboratively to address the increased bioterrorism threat made evident by the anthrax letters of 2001. Using USAMRIID as the cornerstone of America's biodefense efforts, the concept for creating the National Interagency Biodefense Campus (NIBC) at Fort Detrick was born. Co-locating these facilities supporting biomedical research in a campus setting is the first step to increased scientific collaboration among the agencies, while decreasing costs as a result of shared infrastructure.

Currently six federal agencies constitute the National Interagency Confederation for Biological Research at Fort Detrick. Each of these partners in the cofederation has complementary scientific missions and research approaches create opportunities for intellectual synergy.



Settling In

New Arrivals

Newly arriving personnel are required to report to the Provost Marshal Office, 1504 Porter Street, to obtain a temporary pass for privately owned vehicles.

Military

Army personnel arriving at Fort Detrick should first report to their new unit and be met by their sponsor. After hours, arrivals should report to the staff duty noncommissioned officer at 1532 Porter Street to sign in. Those Soldiers with approved permissive temporary duty (PTDY) should report to the Housing Office in Rm. 202, Community Support Center, 1520 Freedman Drive, to sign out on PTDY. These Soldiers will report to their unit of assignment at the completion of their PTDY.

Once the Soldier reports to his or her unit, the Soldier must come to the Military Personnel Division (MPD) located in the Community Support Center, 1520 Freedman Drive, Room 139A, to pick up the Installation In-processing Checklist. In-processing is conducted each morning except Thursday from 8 to 9 a.m. No appointment is required. The sponsor is responsible for escorting the new arrival to the various agencies for in-processing. When reporting to MPD the Soldier should bring a duty position memorandum, permanent-change-of-station orders,

military personnel folder, and medical, dental, and education records.

The MPD provides military personnel support services to all Army units assigned to Fort Detrick. The division also provides identification cards and DEERS updates to all military Servicemembers (active duty, reserve, National Guard, and retirees) and their family members.

The office also provides identification cards to Fort Detrick civilian employees and contractor personnel. Veterans Affairs benefits counseling is available to all military Servicemembers and their families one day each month. Call 301-619-7311 for an appointment.

Navy personnel in-processing to the Naval Medical Logistics Command should report to 1681 Nelson Street upon arrival. After-hour arrivals should call 301-619-2047.

Military personnel in-processing to the Armed Forces Medical Intelligence Center must report to the Military Personnel Office, 1607 Porter Street, upon arrival. For assistance, call 301-619-3804.

Civilian

New civilian personnel should report on their designated report date to the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center located at 810 Schreider Street, Suite 106, to in-process. Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For assistance, call 301-619-2247.



Housing

The Housing Office is located in the Community Support Center, 1520 Freedman Drive, Room 202. Customer service hours are Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. In- and out-processing hours are Monday through Friday from 9 to 11 a.m., and 1 to 3 p.m.

The office can be reached at DSN 343-3224 or 343-3419 or commercial 301-619-3224 or 301-619-3419. The Housing Office is responsible for providing quality management and oversight of all permanent and transient housing programs and ensuring adequate housing is provided for all Fort Detrick military.



On-Post Housing

Through the Army Residential Communities Initiative (RCI), the Army partnered with GMH, Military Housing, LLC, a private developer, to build, renovate, manage, and maintain family housing communities on post. The developer provides the capital and expertise; the Army conveys the housing to the developer and provides long-term leases on the land. The developer receives the basic allowance for housing for Servicemembers living in their units. Fort Detrick signed a 50-year partnership agreement with GMH Military Housing, LLC, in June 2004 and can expect many benefits from this partnership.

The Housing Office transferred family housing operations on July 1, 2004, GMH Military Housing. GMH is responsible for the operation and maintenance of family housing. It is located at 1401 Sultan Street. GMH's operating hours are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. GMH can be reached at 240-379-6518. This number is also used to contact their service order/work order desk during normal business hours. They have an answering service on this line after duty hours to handle emergencies. Visit the GMH website at www.ftdetrickhomes.com.

RCI Office

The RCI Office is located in the Community Support Center, 1520 Freedman Drive, Housing Services Office, Room 202, and is the government link between Fort Detrick and GMH. This partnership will continue to create communities that reflect pride in being a member of the Armed Forces and will enhance the well being for the Servicemembers and their families living in the Fort Detrick housing community. The office can be reached at 301-619-3417

Unaccompanied Enlisted Personnel Housing (UEPH)

There are five UEPH buildings, which were constructed in 1998. A project was awarded in fiscal year 2003 to construct two additional buildings. One is available for occupancy and the other has been identified as administration space.

In accordance with recent changes in Army policy, incoming single Soldiers in the grade of E6 will be authorized basic allowance for housing (BAH) at the without dependent rate and will be required to reside off post. Additionally, geographical bachelors (Soldiers entitled to BAH at the "with dependent" rate, who are voluntarily separated from their family members) are not authorized assignment to permanent party UEPH.

Army Lodging

Fort Detrick Transient Lodging officially closed September 30, 2004. Statements of non-availability are not required.

Self-Help Program

The Self-Help Program is a continuous effort to preserve facilities in an acceptable state of repair and appearance by allowing individuals, units, and organizations to perform specific maintenance, repair, and minor construction with assigned personnel. Maximum use of personnel is encouraged to accomplish these tasks as long as they can realistically be performed and are authorized as self-help projects. The program can assist the facility users to improve their working or living environment and the performance of their mission. All units and activities are encouraged to participate in the program. Self-help projects must be submitted to the Directorate of Installation Services (DIS), Operations & Maintenance Division, for approval before the project is initiated. To make a submission, please call the Trouble Desk at 301-619-2726.

Community Home Finding, Relocation and Referral Services

The Housing Services Office maintains a list of available home listings for rent or purchase. The office assists newcomers with information on temporary lodging, an overview of community resources and amenities, and other community services information. Desk spaces and telephones are provided as well as information about the housing market at the new duty station. Military personnel reporting for duty at Fort Detrick must report to the Housing Services Office before seeking off-post rental housing. Personnel initiating leases for off-post housing should consult with the Staff Judge Advocate before signing. The Staff Judge Advocate Office is located at 521 Fraim St. and can be reached at 301-619-2065. The Housing Services Office is located at 1520 Freedman Dr., Room 202. The office can be reached at 301-619-3224.

Personal Property

Fort Detrick has a full-service Personal Property Office, located at 1520 Freedman Drive, Room 203A. Inbound, outbound,

non-temporary storage and local move services are provided. Counselors provide entitlement information when Service-members are making a permanent-change-of-station move, and when they are planning for retirement and separation. New arrivals should contact or visit the office immediately to arrange delivery of property. The hours of operation are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and Tuesday and Thursday from 7:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The office can be reached by calling 301-619-7179 or 301-619-7159.

Provost Marshal Office

The Provost Marshal Office and Department of Defense civilian police handle the law enforcement functions for the installation from the Fire and Police Building at 1504 Porter Street.

These functions include law enforcement, traffic and visitor control, prevention and investigation of crimes, physical security, and vehicle, pet, bicycle, and weapon registration. A contract guard force mans Fort Detrick's gates. Officer Friendly and Sgt. McGruff "Take a Bite Out of Crime" police programs are available for children's awareness activities. For more information call 301-619-4580.

The Police Desk operates 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-per-week and can be reached at 301-619-7114.



Emergency Services

Dial 911 to report emergencies. This number provides access to Police, Fire, and Ambulance services.

The Fort Detrick Fire and Emergency Services proudly protect approximately 7,900 people living and working in a two-square-mile area. This group serves laboratories, administrative and office occupancies, communications facilities, barracks and family housing areas with fire protection, crash fire and rescue, emergency medical services, confined space rescue and hazardous materials incident mitigation are undertaken from the

department's headquarters station. Public fire education and a proactive facility inspection campaign are administered by the career firefighters at Fort Detrick. Mutual aid response areas include portions of Frederick City for suppression activities, and Frederick County and vicinity for hazardous material incident response. The Fire Desk non-emergency number is 301-619-2528.

Pet Registration

All pets must be registered at the Vehicle Registration Office, 1520, Freedman Drive, within three days after arrival on post. Proof of current rabies immunization is required for pets three months of age or older. If shots are required, the pet may be taken to the post veterinarian or a local veterinarian within 14 days for immunizations. Pets must wear a current rabies immunization tag and a Fort Detrick pet tag.

Vehicle Registration

Privately owned vehicles must be registered with the Provost Marshal Office within three working days after arrival on post or after purchasing a vehicle that will be driven on post. A temporary pass is required immediately.

Military and civilian employees can register their vehicles at the Community Support Center located at 1520 Freedman Drive. Vehicle registration requires a current state registration card, proof of insurance, and a valid driver's license.

When operating a vehicle on post, both Maryland State law

and Army Regulation 385-55 require driver and passengers use safety belts. Motorcycle riders are required to wear helmets and protective clothing. All motorcycle riders must complete a motorcycle safety course to ride a motorcycle on post. Call 301-619-7318 for information about the course.

Also, when operating a vehicle, cell phone use is prohibited, unless the vehicle is safely parked or unless they are using a hands-free device. (See Fort Detrick Regulation 190-5).

When out-processing, selling, or changing vehicles, the Fort Detrick decal must be turned in to the Provost Marshal Office. The decal is for the designated vehicle only. The registrant is legally liable for the decal.

Weapon Registration

Privately owned weapons must be registered with the Vehicle Registration Office, 1520 Freedman Drive within three working days after arrival. The weapons must be available for inspection at the time of registration. No explosive devices of any type, including fireworks, may be kept on post.

Identification Cards

Fort Detrick military and civilian employees are issued Fort Detrick ID badges, some of which are proximity cards allowing access to secured areas. The badging office accepts authorizations from building security managers and issues cards to approved military and civilian employees.





Facilities & Services

Army Community Services

Army Community Service (ACS) provides Servicemembers, retirees, and Family members with a centralized source of information, guidance, and assistance in solving personal problems. Many services are located in the Community Support Center, 1520 Freedman Dr., Room 124. ACS is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and may be reached by calling 301-619-2197. The following services are available:

Army Emergency Relief (AER) assists Servicemembers, retirees and family members who are experiencing emergency financial situations. The office works with military relief agencies and the American Red Cross to assist military personnel and their family members associated with Fort Detrick. The office is located in the Community Support Center, 1520 Freedman Dr., Rooms 121 and 122, and can be reached at 301-619-3456/3455.

The Financial Readiness Program offers a wide range of services including the Food Voucher Program, financial planning classes, and individual financial counseling. The office is

located in the Community Support Center, 1520 Freedman Dr., Rooms 121 and 122, and can be reached at 301-619-3456/3455.

Employment Readiness and Transition Program provides comprehensive and coordinated employment and transition services to enhance and plan careers that are compatible with the mobile military lifestyle. Services are available to spouses, Servicemembers, civilian personnel, and family members. Services include: Army spouse employment partnership, career counseling, assessments, computer resources, job information and referral, job search workshops, résumé class, executive career and transition seminar, spouse career development workshops, English Speakers of Other Languages class, employer forums, and federal job application training. Information on employment, education, and training opportunities as well as individual assistance with resume writing, job interviews, and transition planning are available in our Employment Resource Center.

Hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information or to register for the programs, access the Fort Detrick website at www.detrick.army.mil and check under "Services," or call 301-619-2208/6636.

The Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) assists family members who have various disabilities and ensures they receive the necessary services to meet their basic needs. An



exceptional family member is any family member of an active duty or retired Soldier, Army National Guard, or Army Reservist activated beyond 30 days, regardless of age, who has a disability or chronic illness which limits daily functioning or requires special ongoing counseling, training, education, therapy, or treatment, including the need for prescription medications. The program has a limited library of books, booklets, pamphlets, and audio and video tapes available for loan. The program now offers a manual wheelchair from the ACS Lending Closet that can be borrowed for up to 30 days. The program is mandatory for those family members of active duty military that meet the criteria for enrollment. The EFMP manager can attend Individual Education Plan meetings for an enrolled client, to assist with advocacy. The program offers a monthly support group and respite care. Call 301-619-3385 for more information.

The Family Advocacy Program is located at 1520 Freedman Dr. in the Community Support Center. The program is responsible for the prevention, intervention, and treatment of families affected by child and spouse abuse. Prevention services include the "First Steps Program" (services for new parents), individual and classroom parenting education, monthly parent support group, weekly play groups, anger management groups, couples communication classes, stress management classes, respite care, and a lending library. Treatment/intervention services include victim advocacy, safety planning, individual, marital, group, and family counseling. For more information about services, call 301-619-7171/2408. To report acts of abuse, call the Provost Marshal's Office 301-619-7114.

The Household Items Exchange Program (HIEP) offers a referral service connecting military families or individuals needing household appliances and furniture to someone willing to donate items to a good cause. The ACS does not accept the actual HIEP donations as we do not have enough space for the storage of the items. For more information call 301-619-3456/3455.

The Food Voucher Program provides temporary emergency food assistance to needy military Servicemembers, retirees, and family members. This program supplements and sometimes replaces assistance from Army Emergency Relief. Vouchers can be spent at the Fort Detrick Commissary to purchase food and other items.

The ACS Outreach Program enhances readiness and retention by helping Soldiers and families develop a stronger sense of self-reliance and belonging in the military community. Outreach targets those families who have the greatest level of need, but are least likely to seek out and take advantage of services until they have reached a state of crisis. Outreach focuses on three main areas: education and prevention, direct services, and organizing support networks to encourage self-help and cultivate a sense of ownership within the military community.

The Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) Program is a grassroots program allowing members from every sector of the military to have a voice in raising concerns to the leadership. Some issues are dealt with at the local level while others are forwarded to higher commands for resolution. The issues are input from the people of the Army to Army leadership. It is a process that lets Soldiers and families say what is working and what is not - and what they think will fix it.

The ACS Mobilization and Deployment program prepares Servicemembers and their families for deployment as an essential component of readiness. As the Army deploys units more frequently, families must be prepared to deal with the stress and family decisions during mobilization, deployment, and reunions.

Family Readiness Groups (FRGs) are organized to provide mutual support for a unit's family members. The FRG forms the third component of the Army's family support system during deployment. It operates during periods of normal oper-



ations, as well, in close coordination with the affiliated unit and, if convenient, with ACS or the Reserve Component Family Program Coordinator's Office. The FRG also serves as an important source of inspiration, training, and support to empower Army families to increase and enhance their self-reliance.

The ACS Operation Happy Holidays (OHH) Program is designed to help families during the holiday season by soliciting support from units and organizations to sponsor an OHH family and accepting responsibility for raising money to purchase food, clothing, or gifts. Fundraising efforts may consist of food sales, car washes, or soliciting donations directly from individuals. The OHH Program only accepts and distributes "new" clothing and gift items to families. Please contact your local charity or the post Thrift Shop to donate used clothing, books, and toys.

Army Family Team Building (AFTB) is an official Army training program. AFTB helps to develop ready families and ready Soldiers and contributes to unit and mission readiness. AFTB helps members of the Army family understand the Army environment and lifestyle and provides them with information, knowledge, and skills vital to the readiness of the force.

The Army Volunteer Corps (AVC) provides placement opportunities for volunteers based on interest and agency needs. AVC also assists volunteer organizations with recruitment, training, and guidance for volunteer recognition. The AVC is also responsible for coordinating the post's blood drives. Volunteers support the mission in a variety of capacities such as: office assistants, FRG leaders, special events, and much more. Volunteers are required to register with the AVC office. Please call 301-619-3171 for more information.

The Relocation Readiness and Information, Referral and Follow-up Program supports Servicemembers, civilians, and their Families who are relocating. The program provides counseling for guiding and planning the member's next move. The following services are available: In/Out-processing, Permanent Change of Station Briefing, Sponsorship Briefings, Welcome Packets, Homebuyers' Workshops, Waiting Family Support Group, "Operation Pillowcase," "Welcome to the USA," Reentry Workshops, English Speakers of Other Languages class, Real Estate Course, and the most current information from the Military Installations website booklets. Our The Information Referral and Follow-up Program provides materials, resources, and information for Fort Detrick, Frederick, Washington, Franklin, and Adams counties. Call 301-619-6364/2197 for more information.

The Lending Closet located in the Community Support Center, 1520 Freedman Dr., provides basic housekeeping items for temporary loan to incoming and outgoing families. Items are borrowed on a first-come, first-served basis. Call 301-619-6364/2197 for more information.

Army Ideas for Excellence

The Army Ideas for Excellence Program encourages civilian and military personnel to take an active part in improving all aspects of Fort Detrick's operations.

It recognizes and rewards individuals for suggestions and ideas when implementation enhances employees' safety and morale or contributes to the efficiency, economy, or improvement of installation management.

The program is an important aid to development better organizations and can be an effective tool in gaining cost savings and achieving improvement objectives.

Call 301-619-7641 for more information.

Army Substance Abuse Program

The Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP) is a comprehensive substance abuse prevention, education, and treatment program. Military, retirees, civilian employees, and family members are eligible for prevention services. Prevention and education services include biochemical testing and education classes for military and civilian employees. The Employee Assistance Coordinator assists civilian employees and their families with short-term counseling and referral services for substance abuse and other mental health issues. The ASAP and EAPC programs are located in the Community Support Center, 1520 Freedman Dr. For more information, call 301-619-2120.

Active duty Servicemembers who are in need of a screening, assessment, or substance abuse treatment may contact the Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Clinic located in the Barquist Army Health Care Facility, 1434 Porter St. For more information call 301-619-2043.



Auto Service Center

The Auto Service Center is located at 1431 Sultan Dr. Many standard services, such as oil and filter changes, are offered Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Appointments must be made for services. To schedule an appointment, call 301-619-2266.



Barber Shop

The barber shop specializes in military haircuts as well as other styles. It also offers mustache trims and style cuts. No appointment is necessary.

Located at 1405 Porter St., (in the PX) the hours of operation are Monday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; closed Sunday. For more information, call 301-619-2345.

Better Opportunities for Single Servicemembers

Better Opportunities for Single Servicemembers (BOSS) supports overall quality of life issues for single and unaccompanied Servicemembers. BOSS meetings are held the first and third Mondays in the Barracks Community Building, 1532 at 3 p.m. All single Servicemembers are welcomed to attend.

For more information call the Morale, Welfare, and Recreation BOSS liaison at 301-619-3237.

Car Wash

Located at 1431 Sultan St. next to the Auto Craft Shop, a two-bay coin-operated car wash, vacuum, and vending machines are available 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week. The facility has heated floors to allow them to be used during inclement weather. The charge is \$1.75 for four minutes, and a bill changer is available.

For more information, call 301-619-2759.

Chapel

The Chaplain Activities Office has a comprehensive religious program and invites the post community to become a part of it. Join in worship, engage in religious education, enjoy fellowship and serve the community. For more information see Page 24.

Child Development Center

The nationally accredited Child Development Center (CDC) is located at 1776 Ditto Ave., next to the Chapel.

The CDC accepts children six weeks old through kindergarten. Active duty military, Department of Defense (DoD) civilians, and DoD contractors are eligible to use this program. Non DoD employees and contractors are welcome at a higher rate scale when space is available.

The CDC enhances the social, emotional, creative, cognitive, and physical development of children. The teachers have developed an atmosphere of comfort and learning to make children's time away from home happy and secure.

Programs at the CDC include full-day care for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers as well as a before- and after- school program for kindergarten students. A part-day preschool program for children, three to five years old, is also available for children who are not enrolled in a kindergarten program.

Please call a central enrollment representative at 301-619-7100 for more information.

Family Child Care Program

The Family Child Care Office is located in the Child and Youth Services Welcome Center, 924 Doughten Dr. The program is an in-home alternative to center-based care and accepts children ages six weeks to 12 years old. Child and Youth Services personnel certify individual providers and their homes. The Family Child Care Program offers a family atmosphere with a limited number of children. Active duty military, DoD civilians, and DoD contract employees assigned to Fort Detrick are eligible sponsors for the program. For more information about Family Child Care, call 301-619-3405 or 301-619-7100 for enrollment.

Civilian Personnel Advisory Center

The Civilian Personnel Advisory Center is located at 810 Schreider St., Suite 106. The office provides civilian personnel services to managers, supervisors, employees and individuals seeking employment. These services include the full range of personnel management functions, including recruitment, management-employee relations, and labor relations.

The office is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and can be reached by telephone at 301-619-2247. Job postings are listed on the Web sites: <http://cpol.army.mil> or www.usajobs.opm.gov.

The Fort Detrick Commissary is a full-service commissary carrying more than 9,000 items for your shopping pleasure. Lo-

cated at 1510 Porter Street., the commissary offers a deli-bakery, a full selection of meat items cut daily to ensure freshness. It carries a large selection of fresh fruits and vegetables comparable to any store in the area.

Special orders are encouraged from all departments. Meat and produce not normally stocked may be special ordered. This requires at least 24-hours advance notice. It includes products like extra thick-cut steaks, produce baskets, and party trays.

The commissary has checkout stands that handle credit cards, debit cards, food stamps and Women, Infant and Children, or WIC, transactions. There are 2 Self service checkouts for your convenience.

The commissary also provides best value items, indicated by special signs throughout the store featuring national products at lower prices.

The commissary is easily accessible by anyone with special needs.

The staff at the Fort Detrick Commissary looks forward to making your shopping experience the best ever. Hours of operation are Tuesday and Thursday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Wednesday and Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and closed Monday. The best shopping hours are from 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Friday.

The commissary can be reached by telephone at 301-619-2990.

Customer Service

Customer satisfaction is an integral part of Fort Detrick. An extensive Customer Service Program has been established with individuals representing all areas of the US Army Garrison:

Directorate of Installation Services:301-619-2454
 Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation: :301-619-3261
 Directorate of Information Management:301-619-7291
 Directorate of Community Support Programs: :301-619-2854
 Safety, Environment and Integrated Planning: ...301-619-3123
 Security, Plans, and Operations:301-619-8547
 Directorate of Emergency Services:301-619-4564
 Staff Judge Advocate:01-619-2221
 Fort Detrick Chapel:301-619-7371
 Public Affairs Office:.....301-619-2018

There are also customer service representatives at the Commissary, Post Exchange, Dental Clinic and the Health Clinic.

Customer satisfaction is one of the major elements that contributed to Fort Detrick being titled as an Army Community of Excellence. The Customer Service Program is managed by the Installation Customer Service Coordinator.

The Customer Service Representatives and Customer Service Coordinator:

- Receive customer comments, suggestions, and praises and resolve any areas of concern at the point of service using

our current resources. We provide continuous follow-up until the customer is completely satisfied with the results.

- Make certain that customers are aware of avenues to contact Customer Service Representatives. There are a number of ways customers can let their voices be heard.
- Conduct one-on-one Customer Outreach Meetings, New comer Briefings, Town Hall Meetings, and Focus-Group Meetings to gain assurance that our customers are receiving the services and quality of goods they need now, and in the future.
- Work together to improve our services.
- Ensure requests are followed through to satisfactory conclusion, and that follow-up is regular and consistent.

ICE - The Interactive Customer Evaluation system is a web-based tool that collects feedback on services provided by various organizations throughout the Department of Defense (DOD). The system allows customers to submit online comment cards to rate the service providers they encountered here at Fort Detrick, as well as other military installations and related facilities around the world.

The main component of the ICE system is the comment card. A comment card is a tool for collecting customer feedback. Comment cards in ICE are electronic and are accessed and submitted through the Internet. ICE Kiosks are located at several convenient locations on the installation. ICE comment cards are used to rate services on Fort Detrick. The ICE System allows you to communicate directly with all service providers on the installation by submitting an on-line comment card. There are also hard copy comment cards and boxes located throughout the installation. Customers are free to call customer service representatives for any customer concerns. A dedicated 1-800 number has been created for your convenience.

Customer Service Line: 1-800-256-7621

ICE Website: <http://ice.disa.mil>, Select Army CONUS, Fort Detrick

Dental Clinic

The U.S. Army Dental Clinic, in the Barquist Army Health Care Facility, located at 1434 Porter St., provides care for active



duty military personnel. It is a satellite clinic of Carlisle Barracks Dental Clinic Command. Any active duty service member with a dental emergency should report to the clinic during sick call, Monday through Friday at 7:20 a.m.

Clinic hours are Monday through Friday from 7:20 a.m. to 4:20 p.m. To make appointments, call 301-619-7675.

After duty hours dental care (severe emergency) for active duty may be obtained by reporting to Frederick Memorial Hospital, 400 West 7th Street, Frederick, Md. Alternate military facilities are located at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D.C.

Financial Services

COMSTAR Federal Credit Union has two branch locations available to serve all military, civilian and contract employees on Fort Detrick. Services include savings and checking accounts, ATM/debit cards, all types of loans including mortgages and credit cards, online banking and electronic bill payment. The COMSTAR office on post is located at 1520 Freedman Dr. in the Community Support Center. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. There is also an ATM located in the vestibule of this building that is available 24 hours a day for deposits and withdrawals. The second location is at 549 Beasley Dr., next to the NCI Café, and hours of operation are 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The ATM at this location is a cash dispenser only and is available to all as long as the building is open and can be accessed at any time by those with after-hour badges. The third ATM is located in the Post Exchange and is available anytime the PX is open.

BB&T has an ATM on post in the PX parking lot at 1405 Porter Street.

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National Cancer Institute Café

The NCI Café, located at 549 Beasley Dr., offers a dining experience that is more than just good food. Its friendly, helpful people provide family-style cuisine at affordable prices. Daily service includes a wide selection of American-style breakfast and lunch choices. The café is open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. For daily lunch information call 301-846-6699. For more information, call 301-846-1750.

Café Too!

Café Too! is located in the Community Support Center at 1520 Freedman Dr. and offers a breakfast lunch, and snacks. Café Too! offers daily specials and is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information call 301-619-6277

Rally Point Recreation Center

The Rally Point Recreation Center is located at 1529 Porter Street. The Rally Point provides full lunch cafeteria services Monday through Friday, and evening entertainment Monday

through Friday and in support of special events. Amenities include five large screen televisions, Wii, X-Box, and Play Station Three, wireless internet, and suitable banquet space for up to 150. There is a small dining room that will hold up to 36 people and the room is suitable for group meetings and presentations. Contact the Rally Point manager at telephone: 301-619-2957.

Training and Education

The Detrick Center for Training and Education Excellence, located in the Community Support Center, 1520 Freedman Dr., Suite 200, serves as a one-stop center for the training and education needs of the Fort Detrick community. The most advanced learning techniques and computer-assisted programs are featured among its many resources.

Services include:

Educational Counseling — Army personnel testing, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) and Defense Activity for Nontraditional Education Support (DANTES) examinations. College admissions examinations (ACT and SAT) are also available. Graduate admissions examinations (GRE and GMAT) are not administered through Army Education Centers; however, eligible personnel are reimbursed by DANTES. Excelsior College Examinations, formerly Regents College Examinations, are also available as are selected certification examinations. Functional Academic Skills Training is available, which is individualized instruction through classroom and Internet-based learning for military personnel to improve reading and math skills.

Training Sources — The DCTEE offers assistance in locating training opportunities for military and civilians, group or individualized instruction, on or off post. Tuition

Assistance — Information is available about Army Tuition Assistance and civilian scholarships, grants, etc. The DCTEE facilities include an Advanced Technology Center, a Learning Resource Center, the Post Library, training classrooms, a computer-training center, and common task training sites.

The DCTEE/Learning Center is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information call 301-619-2854.

Equal Employment Opportunity Office

The Equal Employment Opportunity Office assists the commands of the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, U.S. Army Garrison, Fort Detrick organizations, and the Raven Rock Mountain Complex in their commitment to equal employment opportunity through implementation of strong equal employment opportunity and affirmative employment programs without regard to race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, or physical or mental handicap.

This policy mandates equal employment opportunity for all persons and prohibits discrimination in all aspects of personnel, policies, practices, and operations and in all working conditions and relationships with employees and applicants for employment.

The office is responsible for processing discrimination complaints, managing the Special Emphasis Programs Committee, which includes the Federal Women's Program, the Black Employment Program, Asian American/Pacific Islander Employment Program, American Indian/Alaska Native Employment Program, Hispanic Employment Program, and the Individuals with Disabilities Program. It provides Prevention of Sexual Harassment, Equal Employment Opportunity, Complaints Processing, No Fear Act, Special Emphasis Program Manager and Consideration of Others training.

The EEO office is located at 1520 Freedman Dr., Room 209, and is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The office can be reached by calling 301-619-2224.

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is a confidential program designed to help resolve personal problems. The Employee Assistance Program Coordinator can offer information, consultation and brief solution-oriented counseling services. These EAP services are free of charge to all Department of Army employees and their immediate family/household members.

Equal Opportunity Office

The Equal Opportunity Office's primary mission is to provide enhanced human relations and organizational effectiveness through the leadership in the command at all levels. The mission focuses on four major areas: increased cultural awareness, education, prevention, and compliance. It provides assistance to commanders, Servicemembers, and family members in both on- and off-post facilities and establishments.

Some of the services provided include: comprehensive cultural awareness and human relations education and training guidance; advice on matters seen as possible acts of discrimination; formal and informal complaint handling and resolution; coordination of ethnic observances; staff assistance and assessment visits; and collection and analysis of demographic data and conduction of focus groups, such as Consideration of Others sessions.

The Fort Detrick community is serviced by equal opportunity offices located at 1520 Freedman Dr. and 1435 Porter St. Each office is managed by an Equal Opportunity Advisor who is responsible for the management and control of the program. Personnel requiring assistance may contact the following Equal



Opportunity Advisor offices at U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, 301-619-2738; U.S. Army Garrison, 301-619-2626; and 21st U.S. Signal Brigade, 301-619-6106.

Gas Station

A six-pump service station is operated by the Army and Air Force Exchange Service. Items needed for car maintenance are available for purchase. Tires and batteries are available by special order. Pay-at-the-pump credit card readers have been installed for customer convenience.

Located at 1405 Porter St., its hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The gas station can be reached at 301-662-2262.

Health Services

The Barquist Army Health Care Facility is located at 1434 Porter St. It is a 26,000 square foot state of the art medical and dental facility named in honor of Col. Richard F. Barquist. The clinic is open Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The clinic is closed every 3rd Friday at 1230 for training.



There is no formal sick call. Service Members can make appointments by calling 301-619-7175 or on line at www.tricareonline.com (requires obtaining a password). If this does not meet the service members needs, the SM can call 301-619-7175 and push option “2” to speak to a nurse to be triaged. Alternatively, SMs may walk in and be triaged as well. SMs may walk in as early as 0700 M-F. Appointments will be given according to the acuity of the complaint.

Appointments at the clinic are available to Tricare Prime patients enrolled at the clinic. To schedule or cancel an appointment call 301-619-7175, and select Option #1.

To reach other departments at the Clinic call 301-619-7175 and listen to the available options. For general Tricare information like enrollment information and claims assistance, call 1-877-TRICARE (1-877-874-2273). Tricare assistance may also be obtained by visiting the Tricare Service Center at the Clinic which is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please note that when the Barquist Health Care Clinic is closed, the Tricare Service Center will also be closed.

The clinic provides primary medical care to Tricare Prime patients to include: family practice, well baby care, immunizations, lab, pharmacy, x-ray services, and well woman care. Barquist also provides occupational health, physical therapy and substance abuse counseling. Additional specialty services are available on a limited basis such as, behavioral health counseling, travel medicine, dermatology, rehab and routine obstetrical care. Obstetrical care will be partly performed at National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md. A full range of specialty care services is available at National Naval Medical Center and Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

The Immunization Clinic is open from 8 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. Patients may walk in to receive standard recommended immunizations with out a providers order (see <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/schedules/default.htm> for immunization schedule) .

The pharmacy is open from Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., to include the lunch hour. Refills should be called in to 1-800-248-6337. Some drugs may not be available as the pharmacy has a limited formulary. Prescriptions are written for one specific person. When filling prescriptions, it is necessary to bring the military identification card for that particular patient.

Barquist is closed the third Friday of each month from 1 to 4:30 p.m. for staff training.

The clinic conducts a wellness program for TRICARE Prime patients enrolled to its facility. After attending the wellness program, patients are given “The Medicine Cabinet Card,” which provides patrons the opportunity to get certain over-the-counter medicines from the pharmacy. For more information or to register for the class, call 301-619-6917.

Emergency services are not available at Barquist. If you have an emergency, call 911 or go to the nearest emergency room. Urgent care is available at the immediate care center on Oak Street in Frederick and on South Main Street in Mt. Airy and requires a referral from your primary care manager.

Medical care is not available at the clinic after duty hours,

weekends, or holidays. However, medical emergency care is available at Frederick Memorial Hospital, located at West 7th Street, approximately one mile from the Fort Detrick Veterans Gate. Emergency care is also available at other hospitals within the area. Authorization is not required for true Emergency Care, but is required for all other care to include Urgent Care Visits. After duty hours patients who need to talk to a health care provider about a non-emergency concern, may call 866-379-3981. You will be connected to the provider who is on-call.

Tri-Care prime patients, including active duty, must have an authorization to obtain any specialty care from the civilian network, including obstetrical care. For information on referrals for specialty care, call 301-619-3402. Emergency care does not require an authorization.

Inspector General

The Inspector General (IG) determines the state of economy, efficiency, discipline, morale, and readiness of units throughout the installation. The full service IG office provides the installation commander and other commanders and directors with a continuous objective assessment of the operational, administrative, and logistical effectiveness of the command.

The IG's office reviews complaints and offers assistance to all Servicemembers, family members, civilians, Reservists, retirees, and private citizens. Complaint procedures are established to render assistance; report injustices affecting individuals; and eliminate fraud, waste, abuse, or other conditions detrimental to the military's efficiency or reputation.

The IG office is located at 1520 Freedman Dr., Suite 210A. Hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information call 301-619-2349/2995/9966.

Internal Review and Audit Compliance

The Internal Review and Audit Compliance Office provides the installation commander and garrison commander with an internal review capability. The mission of the Army's Internal Review Program is to support commanders with in-house, state-of-the-art, reliable, timely, professional reviews and consulting services that promote improved risk management and foster stewardship through best business practices. Reviews are conducted in accordance with Army Regulation 11-7, Internal Review Program, and seek to solve known or perceived problems, provide information in support of decision making, or take advantage of opportunities to improve efficiency or effectiveness.

The office also serves as the command liaison during audits performed by external audit organizations such as the U.S. Army Audit Agency, the Department of Defense Inspector General, and the U.S. General Accountability Office.

The office is located in the Headquarters Building, 810 Schreider Street, Suite 208. Hours are Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The office can be reached by calling 301-619-7287.

Installation Safety Management Office

The Installation Safety Management Office (ISMO) establishes guidelines and procedures to ensure a safe and healthy work and living environment free from recognized hazards that are likely to cause death or serious physical harm. The ISMO has established installation-wide programs and processes and provides oversight to assist commanders, managers, and supervisors in carrying out their responsibility to protect personnel, equipment, and facilities under their command or directorate. The U.S. Army Garrison is committed to raising Fort Detrick's safety performance expectations and standards and has adopted the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) criteria as a continuous process improvement tool.

The numerous programs and actions include inspections and surveys throughout the installation covering a wide range of industrial operations to Family Child Care Provider home inspections. Some of the work-related programs include; hazard communication, respiratory protection, confined space entry, radiation protection, and development and maintenance of an installation abatement log to track identified hazards. The ISMO trains Fort Detrick personnel in supervisor and collateral duty safety, safe child care for providers, motorcycle safety, and accident reporting procedures to name a few. ISMO advise and assist in accident and hazard reporting in addition to analysis through safety committee meetings, group training, and one-on-one sessions conducted upon request.

Safety extends beyond the work place and into recreational participation such as bow hunting, swimming, and many other activities located on Fort Detrick. The ISMO is assisting Fort Detrick as the installation works to establish a safety culture built on accountability, commitment, and employee involvement. As a member of the Fort Detrick community, you play a vital role in managing risks. Working together we can establish Fort Detrick as an example of excellence in safety and health.



Laundry

The post laundry and dry cleaner, located at 1405 Porter St., cleans, presses and alters clothing items. Normal turnaround time for most articles is three days, although the shop offers one-day service for an additional 20 percent. It also offers a tailoring service and sews military patches on uniforms.

Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is closed for lunch Monday through Friday from 1:30 to 2 p.m. For more information, call 301-694-3237.

Legal Assistance

The Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, located at 521 Fraim St., advises the personnel of the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, U.S. Army Garrison, and Fort Detrick mission partners on official military matters and represents the Army in hearings and court proceedings. The legal office also provides individual legal services to active duty military members, military retirees, and their families. Members of the Reserve and National Guard may receive individual legal services on issues pertaining to their preparation for deployment.

The Legal Assistance Office, 301-619-2065 or DSN 343-2065, reviews and drafts legal documents and counsels individuals on a variety of topics, to include estate planning (wills, powers of attorney, and advanced medical directives); landlord-tenant problems; income tax; consumer affairs; family law (divorce, paternity, custody and adoption); and military personnel and administrative issues. However, legal assistance attorneys do not appear in court or provide business advice.

Power-of-attorney preparation and notary public services are available on a walk-in basis. To expedite the process, call ahead with the information for the power of attorney. Clients should call 301-619-2065 to make sure a notary is available.

Tax assistance is also available for eligible clients from January through April. Call 301-619-2065 to make an appointment.

The Claims Office, 301-619-2643 or DSN 343-2643, takes claims for household goods, personal property and privately owned vehicles. No appointment is necessary. Attorneys are not available to represent claimants in these cases.

The Fort Meade USA Trial Defense Services office, located in 4217 Roberts Ave, 3rd Floor at Fort Meade, Md., provides attorneys to Servicemembers who are facing judicial or nonjudicial proceedings under the Uniformed Code of Military Justice. These attorneys also advise Soldiers pending adverse administrative actions. Call for an appointment at 301-677-9218/9117 or DSN 622-9218/9117.

Handouts of common legal problems are located on our website at www.detrack.army.mil/detrack/usag/sps/sja/assistance.cfm.

Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except on Thursdays when Legal Assistance is open from 1 to 4:30 p.m.

Mail/Post Locator

The Mail Distribution Center and Post Locator is located at 243 Beasley Dr. The center is open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Frederick Branch, U.S. Postal Service, serves Fort Detrick. Incoming mail is delivered to the Mail and Distribution Center daily where it is sorted and distributed to the various offices and headquarters on post.



Unaccompanied enlisted personnel personal mail is distributed through mailboxes at the barracks.

Official mail is dispatched to the U.S. Postal Service at 3 p.m. daily.

For more information or for locator services, call 301-619-2233.

Media Center

The Café Too Media Center is Fort Detrick's newest innovation in community recreation. The Café Too Media Center is located in building 1520 at the Customer Support Center in room 143. In this facility you can find library services, information on travel and tickets, and the Café Too, a small diner that specializes in sandwiches, salads, snacks, and beverages. The media center has available the latest published books for recreational reading, a wide selection of popular magazines, and an expanding inventory of CD and DVD. Enjoy lounging in our comfortable chairs, accessing the internet using our public domain internet service. Contact the Café Too Media Center manager at 301-619-2982.

Occupational Health

Occupational Health is a service of the Barquist Army Health Care Facility and is responsible for pre-placement, periodic, episodic and termination assessments. Pre-placement evaluations are based on workplace hazards and physical requirements identified by the supervisor, safety, and industrial hygiene. Scheduled periodic medical surveillance is based on the continued exposure potential with the identified hazards. The frequency and content of the evaluation is established by regulation or medical judgment. Episodic encounters are unscheduled and occur when there is an actual or potential injury or illness to be assessed, treated, case managed or reported for record. Termination assessments may be necessary for some medical surveillance programs. Occupational Health is also the designated facility for monitoring the medical aspects of the Personnel Reliability Programs for surety programs based out of Fort Detrick and surrounding areas. Except in an emergency, employees should report to the Barquist Army Health Care Facility for initial evaluation and treatment. After reporting, civilians can choose treatment from a community physician.

Occupational Health is located at 1434 Porter St. and is open Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The telephone number is 301-619-2043.

Passports

The Personal Property and Travel Services, processes passports for official travel and is located at 1520 Freedman Dr., Room 203A. Detail information can be found on the Fort Detrick homepage under the "index of Services" and then go to Passport Office. For appointment or information, call 301-619-2211.

This office does not process tourist passports. Tourist passports are handled at your local Post Offices.

AAFES Post Exchange

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service Post Exchange, 1405 Porter St., is a medium-sized store containing the Military Clothing Sales and Class VI (alcohol) stores.

The store also stocks convenience food items, small appliances, greeting cards, and a limited selection of civilian clothing. Items not found in the store can be ordered from area post exchanges or through the Exchange catalog. A Best Buy program is available to customers.

The store accepts major credit cards and offers check-cashing services to military, retirees, and family members.

The Post Exchange Shopette's hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and is closed on holidays.

Public Affairs Office

The Public Affairs Office is located at 810 Schreider St., Suite 213. Specialists provide communications services to all organizations and activities at Fort Detrick. It is the principal staff office responsible for media liaison, community relations, command information (including the installation newspaper),

marketing initiatives, the Fort Detrick and U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command Web Pages, and special events. Through these programs, accurate and up-to-date information is provided to all interested audiences, both on and off post.

The Fort Detrick Public Affairs Office maintains a Speakers Bureau consisting of local military and civilian speakers. The key products of this program are furthering the understanding of Fort Detrick's missions and promoting goodwill between Fort Detrick and the local civilian communities.

The Fort Detrick Standard is the official post newspaper. It is a bi-weekly civilian-enterprise publication and provides information to all post organizations, as well as announcing local activities, events and entertainment. In addition to staff reports, information is provided by installation organizations and through letters to the editor and commentaries. Other items of interest are encouraged and appreciated. Appropriate articles for publication may be submitted to the editor at any time.

For more information, call 301-619-2018.

Recycling

For the convenience of our customers, there are several recycling collection points on Fort Detrick, and materials may be dropped off at the recycling center as well.

The Fort Detrick Recycling Center is located at 393 Beasley Dr. The center accepts all paper, plastic, glass, textiles, and metals and the hours of operation are between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m.

The collection trailers are located at the entrance to the Community Support Center at 1520 Freedman Dr., inside the Old Farm Gate, and at the Nallin Farm Pond Pavilions. With the exception of cardboard, recyclable materials are collected from all offices and buildings on post. Please check with your building recycling coordinator to find the collection schedule for your area.

All cardboard should be flattened and placed in the easily located cardboard dumpsters. Look for the green or tan boxes close to your building that say "Cardboard Only."

To ensure continued success for the recycling program, the income received from the sale of recyclables supports the recycling operation.

For more information on how you can participate, call the Solid Waste Management office at 301-619-2323/2551.

School Age Service Program

This nationally accredited School Age Service (SAS) Program is located at 949 Sultan Dr. The SAS provides care for children in grades 1 through 5 from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday-Friday. Programs at SAS include before- and after-school, school holidays, and hourly care. During the summer months, the SAS program becomes a full-scale summer day camp program.

Fees are based on total family income. Two flexible payment programs are available.

The SAS Program for children in grades 1-5 offers the following options daily:



- U.S. Department of Agriculture food program;
- Age appropriate group activities (sports, educational and recreational programs, arts and crafts, life skills, Youth Technology Lab);
- Open recreation in age-appropriate settings, both indoors and outdoors;
- A ratio not greater than 15 children to one adult during all activities;
- Field trips.

Registration packets are available at Central Enrollment, CYS Welcome Center, 924 Dougherty Dr. Membership fees are \$18 annual registration fee per person/\$40 per family. Call 301-619-7100 for more information.

Strough Auditorium

Strough Auditorium, located at 611 Porter St., is used for ceremonies and special post presentations. The auditorium seats 233 people and can be reserved by calling 301-619-7554 or by filling out a request form on the Fort Detrick home page (www.detrick.army.mil), click on DCSP, DCTEE and then classroom reservations on the left side of the page.



Thrift Shop

The Thrift Shop is located in Building S-10 off Porter Street. A variety of formerly owned clothing and household items, taken on consignment from military and civilian employees, may be purchased at low prices.

The money collected is returned to the community through donations to scouting organizations, Army Community Services, and other organizations on post. Volunteers are needed to keep the shop operating.

The Thrift Shop is open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Consignments are taken Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and donations are always accepted. A donation bin is located on the side of the building and is available 24-hours-a-day. Call 301-619-2289 for more information.

Travel — Official

Carlson Wagonlit Travel provides a full-service travel office for official travel arrangements, including air, car, hotel and Amtrak reservations. They are located at Aberdeen Proving Ground. The toll-free number to make travel arrangements with Carlson Wagonlit Office at Aberdeen Proving Ground Travel is 1-800-296-3074. The fax number is 410-273-1181.

Veterinary

Veterinary personnel from Forest Glen, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, visit Fort Detrick monthly. Appointments are required and can be made by calling 301-295-7643.

A food inspection office, located in the commissary, is also provided by Veterinary Services.

Visual Information Services

The Visual Information section, located at 1531 Freedman Dr. (next to the Commissary and Community Support Center), provides standard and digital photography, audio/visual services and equipment, graphic design, desktop publishing as well as official and passport photos. Official photos are scheduled by appointment only. Requests for these services require a properly prepared DA Form 3903-R, available in the Visual Information section or on Form Flow in the computer network. For more information, contact 301-619-7597.



Youth Development Program

The program partners with Boys and Girls Clubs of America, 4-H, Army Community Service, and other installation Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs. Activities provide opportunities for community service, workforce preparation, youth sponsorship, and leadership development for youth in grades 1-12.

A Middle School/Teen Center for youth in grades 6-12 gives middle school/teens a space to call their own away from younger children. Opportunities available include summer camps, council meetings, sponsorship program, volunteer opportunities, and a Youth Technology Lab.

A sports and fitness program is available to youth in grades 1-12. Programs are age appropriate and are offered on a seasonal basis. Individual sports offered are golf, tennis, and Tae Kwon Do. Team sports include baseball, soccer, and basketball. We offer instructional sport programs for ages 2-6, such as Bitty-Basketball, Soccer, and T-ball.

Adventure sports, such as canoe trips, rock climbing, hiking, mountain biking, and other high adventure activities, are offered. Seasonal and annual special events scheduled include holiday programs, lock-ins, and fashion and talent shows. To find out more about these programs, stop by the Sky Dome, 949 Sultan Dr., or call 301-619-2901. To register for a Sky Dome membership, contact the Central Enrollment Office at 301-619-7100.

Child and Youth Services Liaison, Education and Outreach Services

The Fort Detrick CYS staff are trained youth development professionals who are hired for their engaging, energetic, and enthusiastic skills to welcome your children. The staff provides programs each day that will attract children with different activities, a fun environment, and an energetic staff that lead them.

Programs in CYS are developmental, age appropriate, and are implemented within the Department of Army's four services areas, baseline programs, Boys and Girl's Club curriculum, 4-H curriculum, and the six pillars of Character Counts. All CYS programs are Department of Defense Certified. Call 301-619-3247 for more information.

Central Enrollment: responsible for CYS membership registration, waiting list information, and child placement verification.

Child and Youth Services Liaison Education and Outreach Services (CLEOS): responsible for school liaison and outreach services, parent advisory council, and school partnerships.

Child Development Center: responsible for center based childcare for children ages 6 weeks through Kindergarten. Programs include full day care, part day pre-school, hourly care, and kindergarten program. The program is nationally accredited by the National Education for the Association of Young Children.

Family Child Care: responsible for family home based childcare for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years. Programs include full day care, part day pre-school, hourly care, and kindergarten program.

School Age Services: responsible for center based care for children in grades 1 through 5. Programs include before school care, after school care, before and after school care, full day care during school closure, and summer day camp. The program is nationally accredited by the National After-School Association.

Youth Services: responsible for programmed activities and supervision of youth grades 1 through 12. Programs include middle and teen before school supervision, and after school activities, youth sports, social leisure recreation, open recreation, instructional programs, youth development, special events and summer day camp.

CYS LOCATIONS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

CYS WELCOME CENTER

924 Doughten Drive

301-619-4453, Child and Youth Services

Operating hours are 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

Child Liaison Education Outreach Services (CLEOS), 301-619-

3247 -Family Child Care Director, 301-619-3045 -Child and Youth Computer Technology Specialist, 301-619-3696

CENTRAL ENROLLMENT

924 Doughten Drive

Operating hours are 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Central Enrollment Officer, 301-619-7100

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

1776 Ditto Avenue

Operating hours are 6 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Facility Director, 301-619-3300

SCHOOL AGE SERVICES (SAS) AND YOUTH SERVICES (YS)

949 Sultan Drive, Fort Detrick, MD

Facility Director, 301-619-3246

SAS OPERATING HOURS

Before school only care are 6 a.m.-8:30 a.m., Monday-Friday.

After school only care are 2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday-Friday.

YS OPERATING HOURS

Middle/Teen before school care are 6 a.m. to 7:30 a.m., Monday-Friday.

Middle/Teen after school care are 1430-2000, Monday-Friday.

YS OPEN RECREATION HOURS

Grades 1-5 are 2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 2:30 p.m., to 7:30 p.m. Friday; 1 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

Grades 6-12 are 2:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 2:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., Friday; 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday.

School Age Services and Youth Services offer full day supervision during school closures.

Installation Hotlines

The installation commander is interested in your comments and suggestions regarding Fort Detrick's facilities and programs. Call the "Installation Care Hotline," at 301-619-CARE (2273), and leave a message.

The installation also has a "Near Miss Hotline" at 301-619-3164.

If there is a problem, every attempt will be made to forward your request to the appropriate personnel for correction within one business day.

Interactive Customer Evaluation

The ICE (Interactive Customer Evaluation) is a web-based customer feedback system that allows customers to give direct and immediate feedback to Service Providers about their products and services. The purpose of ICE is to improve internal customer service – an opportunity for you to voice "what you like" or "what you dislike" and how you want it changed. ICE provides fresh and fast information flow between installation management and customers. With the click of a mouse, ICE sends a customer's comment, suggestion, compliment, or complaint, to the appropriate Service Provider. To access ICE, all that's needed is an Internet browser. An ICE comment card can be sent from any computer, at any time, and any place. We want to know what's on your mind. By rating our products and services, you can help us maintain the degree of excellence you expect. The customer service number is 1-800-256-7621

CHAPEL SERVICES

Worship Services

Roman Catholic Mass

Saturday 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 9:15 a.m.

General Protestant Worship

Sunday 1100 a.m.

Religious Education

General Protestant Sunday School

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, or CCD

Sunday 10:45 a.m.

Bible Study and Prayer Time

Catholic Women of the Chapel

Call the Chapel for details

Lunchtime Bible Study

Wednesday 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Women's Bible Study

Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Thursday 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Home Bible studies and home marriage builder programs are available. Call for the time and place.

Family and Military Focused

Post Prayer Breakfast

3rd Wednesday 7 a.m.

Community Supper-Quarterly

3rd Thursday 5:30-7 p.m.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

2nd Saturday 7 a.m.

Programs During the Week

Praise & Worship

Friday 6:30 p.m.

Catholic's Choir

Wednesday 7-9 p.m.

Stop by anytime at the Chaplain Activities Office at 1776 Ditto Avenue, next to the Child Development Center, or call 301-619-7371.



Recreation

Automotive Skills and Development Center

The Automotive Skills Center is located at 1431 Sultan St. The center is available for the “do-it-yourself,” or the person who wants to learn new skills by having access to the proper equipment to do minor repairs.

The center is open Monday, Friday, and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Lift fees are \$3 per hour and flat bay fees are \$2. Used oil or tires are not accepted at this facility. Call 301-619-2759 for more information.

Bowling Center

The Bowling Center, located at 915 Sultan St., invites military personnel, civilian employees, contract employees, and their family members to use the facility.

The center has four 10-pin lanes and is equipped with automatic scoring systems. Bowling balls are available for use as well as lockers for persons who use their own equipment.

Weekend specials and league plays are offered.

Leagues play October through April Monday through Thursday. For more information, call 301-619-2816.

Community Activities Center

The Community Activities Center (CAC) is located at 718 Porter St. The CAC is available for group catering and supporting community and mission programs and activities. To book your event, call 301-619-2823/2824.

Equipment Issue Center

Rent a wide range of seasonal equipment at the Equipment Issue Center, located at 1431 Sultan St., in the Auto Service Center. Equipment, such as kayaks, mountain bikes, volleyball sets, sleeping bags, canoes, utility trailers, and more, is available. Hours of operation are Monday, Friday, and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Call 301-619-2759/2849 to reserve equipment.

Garden Plots

Fort Detrick personnel may rent a garden plot to grow their own vegetables, fruits or flowers. The plots are located on Ditto Avenue adjacent to post housing, across the road from the Post Chapel, 1776 Ditto Ave.

To rent a garden plot, go to the Equipment Issue Office at the Auto Service Center, located at 1431 Sultan St., or call 301-619-2759 for information.

Fishing

The Nallin Farm Pond provides an excellent opportunity for those who like to fish. The pond is stocked with trout several times throughout the year. Fishing is open to active duty and retired military, federal civilian employees and contractors at Fort Detrick. The installation commander may make special exceptions. A Maryland fishing license is required.

Children under age 16 are not required to have a Maryland fishing license; however, a licensed adult must accompany them.

Fort Detrick fishing and hunting permits are required and may be obtained at the Provost Marshal Office, 1504 Porter St. For more information call 301-619-3261.

Fitness Center

The Captain Jennifer J. Shafer Odom Physical Fitness Center is located at 1507 Porter St. The center features a variety of fitness equipment, volleyball and basketball courts, men's and women's saunas, aerobic classes, and locker room facilities.

The center is open to active duty military, retirees, Reservists, National Guard, and authorized civilian and contract employees, and family members.

To join, participants must take a certification course on how to use the equipment.



Hours of the center are Monday through Friday, 5 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., and holidays, 10 to 5 p.m. The center is closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day.

For more information, call 301-619-2498.



Golf Courses

There are several golf courses in the Frederick area that welcome military and civilian personnel as guest players. Call 301-619-2498 for more information. There is no golf course located on Fort Detrick.



Paintball

The season runs year-round but subject to closure due to inclement weather or lack of patrons on the course. Normal hours of operation are Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Winter hours are Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Groups can reserve the field on Fridays. A deposit fee of \$100 is required for all group reservations and is nonrefundable if the group is a "no show". Call 301-619-2266 to make reservations.



H.O.T. Dome

The Henry O. Tuell (H.O.T.) Dome has full-court basketball and volleyball courts. Informally named after a former U.S. Army Garrison Commander, it is located at 832 Gardner St., across the street from the Bowling Center and adjacent to the tennis courts. For more information on reserving a court or hours of operation, call 301-619-2901.

The Individual Skills (Arts) Center, located at 839 Chandler St., consists of a Matting and Framing Shop and Woodworking Shop.

The Woodworking Shop is open Thursday through Friday, 1 to 9 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Projects are decided based on customer needs and inquiries. For more information, call 301-619-2379.

The Matting and Framing Shop is open Tuesday and Wednesday, 2 to 9 p.m., Thursday, 5 to 9 p.m., Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Matting and framing can be accomplished as a self-help project or for a nominal fee by staff. For more information, call 301-619-2920.



Jogging Trail

The Jogging Trail follows around the post's perimeter and has several trails of different distances. The trail officially starts at the Odom Fitness Center but runners may start at any point.

Runners should exercise caution as new construction causes disruptions in the trail's path and rerouting is necessary. When all construction is completed, the trail will be redesigned. For more information call 301-619-2498.



Library

The Post Library, located in the Community Support Center, 1520 Freedman Dr., offers a collection of fiction, nonfiction, biographies, and reference books. Four computers are available for reference purposes.

Popular periodicals and magazines may be borrowed. The library subscribes to local and regional newspapers, including The Washington Post, Frederick News Post, The Federal Times, Wall Street Journal, U.S.A. Today, and the Army, Air Force, and Navy Times.

A popular paperback book swap allows patrons to bring in old books and exchange them for other titles.

The library has something for readers of all ages, including excellent research and educational collections and "how to" books. A varied collection offers children an opportunity to read and borrow books at all reading levels in a separate children's section.

A variety of music CDs are available for your listening enjoyment, as well as a collection of movies and books on tape.

Hours are Monday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and closed Sunday and holidays.

For more information, call 301-619-7519.



Picnic Area

The Nallin Farm Multi-Purpose Recreational Area is open for military and civilian activities and group picnics. The area has a three pavilions, grills, shelters, horseshoe pits, and volleyball courts.

Groups must reserve the area seven days in advance by contacting the Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare, and Recreation at 301-619-3261.

All activities in the recreational area must end by 10 p.m.

Swimming Pools

A 25-meter, indoor pool is located in the Odom Physical Fitness Center, 1507 Porter St. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 6 to 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to

1 p.m. and 3 to 8 p.m. Pool hours on weekends and holidays are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. The pool is closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, and on the Federal holidays observed for these days.

The Fort Detrick outdoor swimming pool is open from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Outdoor pool facilities are located at 839 Chandler St. and include a tubular sliding board, two kiddy wading pools, splash pad, beach chairs, umbrellas, and a shower and bathhouse. During the summer season, the pool is open seven-days-a-week from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Two regulation-sized sand volleyball courts, numerous shade structures, and a concession stand are also available. The pool can be reserved for private parties.

The pool is open to active duty military, retirees, and authorized civilian and contract employees, and family members. Fees are determined yearly.

For more information, call 301-619-2368/2498.



Tennis

Six surfaced tennis courts are available to military and civilian personnel. Military members have priority if the courts are filled. The courts are lighted for night play.

Courts are located next to the H.O.T. Dome and the swimming pool on Chandler Street. Tennis shoes are required. For more information, call 301-619-2498.

TicketFunatic

The TicketFunatic office is located in the Customer Support Center located at, 1520 Freedman Drive. Tickets are available for purchase at a discount or convenience for amusement parks, ski resorts, special events, recreational activities and more. Hours of operation are Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call 301-619-2839.





Missions

21st Signal Brigade

The 21st U.S. Army Signal Brigade is a subordinate command of U.S. Army Network Enterprise Technology Command/9th Army Signal Command. It was originally activated as the U.S. Army Information Systems Test Command at Fort Ritchie, Md., on July 6, 1988. It was re-designated the 1108th U.S. Army Signal Brigade on April 1, 1989. On September 14, 1998, the 1108th U.S. Army Signal Brigade headquarters relocated from Fort Ritchie to Fort Detrick as a result of the 1995 Base Realignment and Closure Action (BRAC), and due to re-organization, was re-designated the 21st Signal Brigade on October 16, 2003.

The Brigade provides global information services to enable Battle Command from the President of the United States to the warfighter and other Federal Agencies.

The brigade's subordinate units are the 302d and 114th Signal Battalions and the 55th Signal Company at Fort Meade, Md.

302nd Signal Battalion

The 302nd Signal Battalion, "Gateway to Freedom," a subordinate unit of the 21st Signal Brigade, operates and maintains strategic communications systems as part of the Global Information Grid (GIG). The battalion has six geographically dispersed companies located at Fort Detrick, MD, Fort Meade, MD, Fort Belvoir, VA, Fort Bragg, NC, and Camp Roberts, CA.

114th Signal Battalion

The 114th Signal Battalion "Signal Masters of the Rock," plans, installs, operates, maintains, and protects battle command systems in support of the National Military Command Center-Raven Rock Mountain Complex (NMCC-RRMC), Warfighting Combatant Commanders, Department of Defense, other federal agencies and the RRMC during war and peacetime. They also serve as the Director of Information Management for the RRMC.



6th Medical Logistics Management Center

The 6th Medical Logistics Management Center (6MLMC) is a multi-component unit that provides centralized information management and logistics intelligence for medical materiel



(Class VIII), medical equipment maintenance to deployed forces. The 6MLMC is subordinate to 44th Medical Command (Airborne) located at Fort Bragg, N.C., but is under the Administrative Control of the US Army MRMC.

The 6MLMC was established October 16, 2000, replacing the deactivated 6th Theater Medical Materiel Management Center. The 6MLMC is composed of a base unit (Headquarters) and presently two teams capable of forward deployment in support of the COCOMS. The base unit links theater Class VIII commodity requirements with sourcing and distribution systems to get medical supplies and equipment into the theater. These forward teams provide total asset and in-transit visibility for the medical commodity, both in the operational theater and en route to the deployed theater. The 6MLMC Forward Teams are continually and fully engaged in supporting Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom since 2001.

In addition, the 6MLMC integrates and coordinates strategic medical logistics actions between the theater(s) and the service agencies responsible for medical logistics: U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency, U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency, Europe, Air Force Medical Logistics Office, Naval Medical Logistics Command, Defense Logistics Agency and Defense Supply Center, Philadelphia.

The 6MLMC's responsibilities include reviewing and analyzing demands and computing theater medical commodity requirements; evaluating the workload, capabilities, and asset positions of supported medical logistics battalions; directing cross-leveling of workload or resources to achieve capability and maximum efficiency; implementing the use of standard Army maintenance information systems for field medical units, and assisting in the sourcing and procurement of Class VIII support items within the continental United States.



53rd Signal Battalion

The 53rd Signal Battalion, formerly 1st Satellite Control Battalion (SATCON), represents not only the growth in the importance of space and space-related products of the Army, but also the continuing growth of the U.S. Army Space Command as it normalizes space support to the warfighter.

The first Wideband Satellite Operations Center, now operated by 53rd Signal Battalion, was built in 1981-82 at Fort Detrick. Over the last 25 years, Soldiers have pioneered the control techniques that are implemented hundreds of times each day by the battalion's Soldiers.



The 53rd provides continuous, reliable, robust, worldwide communications support to U.S. warfighting forces, strategic military users, the U.S. intelligence community and the National Command Authority via the Defense Satellite Communications System.

The company is responsible for the daily command and control of the Defense Satellite Communications System using large, fixed earth terminal ground stations, transportable ground stations, and highly mobile, tactical ground stations.

Air Force Medical Operations Agency-Medical Logistics Division

The mission of the Medical Logistics Division, of the Air Force Medical Operations Office (AFMOA/SG3SL) is to provide support to the Air Force Medical Service by enabling the efficient and effective procurement, sustainment and delivery of medical supplies, services and equipment for peacetime and expeditionary operations. It is committed to providing Air Force medical logisticians leading edge training, tools and information systems to accomplish their mission. Through the proactive and responsive efforts of the AF Medical Logistics Division's experienced and knowledgeable team, it strives to be the premier medical logistics activity in the Department of Defense. The organization is guided by the Air Force Core Values, "Integrity First," "Service Before Self," and "Excellence in All We Do."

The AF Medical Logistics Division accomplishes its mission through organizational competencies that include medical logistics experience, a deep understanding of supply chain management, situational awareness, and project and life-cycle management. The organization develops policies and procedures, and provides support to base level medical logistics activities (at home station and deployed locations), major air commands and the Air Force Surgeon General's Office in the areas of supply chain management, procurement, medical combat support, clinical engineering, financial management, and medical logistics automated information systems.



AFMOA/SG3SL integrates Joint Service and Air Force (Active and Air Reserve) medical logistics components to deploy and sustain warfighting capabilities through focused logistics, as defined by Joint Vision 2020. It effectively educates and supports stakeholders through the application of current and emerging business practices to all areas of medical logistics operations. The organization capitalizes on opportunity, champions and leads innovations in medical logistics, and prepares AF leaders for tomorrow, and provides a global network of peacetime and wartime medical logistics capability and deployed medical units and major air commands worldwide. AFMLO maintains close liaison with the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency, the U.S. Naval Medical Logistics Command, the Defense Medical Standardization Board, and the Defense Logistics Agency.

Air Force Medical Operations Agency (AFMOA)- Expeditionary Medical Skills Division

The Air Force Medical Operations Agency (AFMOA)- Expeditionary Medical Skills Division (ASMOA/SG3XS) reports to the Assistant Surgeon General, Healthcare Operations, Office of the Air Force Surgeon General. Its mission is to establish policy and guidance for global medical support training, exercises and personnel deployment planning requirements; orchestrate resources necessary to accomplish medical readiness training; perform as the active component subject matter experts for development and management of medical readiness information systems; and to act as the Air Force/Surgeon General's consultant to the modeling and simulation community to predict the resource demands of deployed personnel.

AFMSA/SGPX collaborates with numerous organizations and resources to meet their mission. These resources include the U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity, Telemedicine and Advanced Technology Research Center, the acquisition community, major air commands, joint medical readiness planners, Air Force Surgeon General clinical consultants, and the Air Force modeling, simulation and analysis community.

AFMSA/SGPX also works closely with the DMSB to establish Joint Service policies governing casualty management and standardization of medical material assets.

Air Force Medical Evaluation Support Activity

The Air Force Medical Evaluation Support Activity (AFMESA), a division of the Air Force Medical Support Agency, is dedicated to advancing Air Force health care through independent operational testing of medical technologies and information systems. AFMESA operates from a 14-acre compound in Area B that includes a fully functional ten-bed Expeditionary Medical Support (EMEDS) hospital, a Small Shelter Patient Decontamination System (SSPDS), and an 87,000-square-foot gravel test pad. The AFMESA main desk can be reached at 301-619-8600.



Armed Forces Medical Intelligence Center

The Armed Forces Medical Intelligence Center is a field production activity of the Defense Intelligence Agency and the sole Department of Defense producer of medical intelligence. The center provides all-source intelligence on foreign infectious disease and environmental health risks, foreign military and civilian health care systems and infrastructures, and foreign biomedical development and life science technologies of military medical significance.

Assessments, forecasts, and databases are prepared on foreign military and civilian health care capabilities and trends, worldwide infectious disease occurrence, global environmental health risks, and militarily significant life science technologies.

These intelligence products provide direct support to U.S. military customers for operational planning, development of policy, doctrine and training priorities, and medical research and development. Medical intelligence is also critical to national-level customers, including the White House and Congress.

The Chemical Biological Medical Systems (CBMS) Joint Project Management Office (JPMO), one of eight JPMOs under the Joint Program Executive Office for Chemical and Biological Defense provides Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved prophylactics, diagnostics and therapeutics to ensure the survival of U.S. Warfighters against chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear threats. CBMS' vision is to protect the Warfighter by maintaining uncontested global supremacy in CBRN medical countermeasure development and delivery. CBMS is responsible for two joint product management offices, the Joint Vaccine Acquisition Program (JVAP), and the Medical Identification and Treatment Systems (MITS). JVAP's mission is to develop, produce, and stockpile FDA licensed vaccine systems to protect the Warfighter from biological agents. MITS is responsible for the development and acquisition of safe, effective, and FDA approved products for prophylaxis, treatment, and diagnosis of chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear warfare agent exposure.



Company B, 4th Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, 4th Marine Division, Marine Forces Reserve

One of only four light armored reconnaissance companies in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, Company B, 4th Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion was assigned to Fort Detrick in October 1987 and conducted its first annual training in Fort Benning, Ga., in July 1988.

Activated for Operation Desert Shield in November 1990, the company deployed to Southwest Asia in December 1990 and participated with United Nations Coalition forces in breaching Iraqi defenses to liberate Kuwait.

Bravo Company deployed to Iraq from February 2002 to September 2003 in support of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force and Operation Iraqi Freedom. During their deployment, the unit participated in various missions in the combat phase of the operation. With the termination of the combat phase, the unit was involved with various security missions and the reconstruction efforts of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force throughout Iraq.

Bravo's Marines were mobilized in May 2006 for OIF and will be transitioning into a small craft company to be deployed as Damn Support Unit-3 along areas of the Euphrates River. The unit returned in April.

Tasked with conducting reconnaissance, security and, within capability, limited offensive and delaying operations that exploit mobility and firepower, the company supports the division in shaping the battlefield and developing the operational situation.

The Light Armored Vehicle (LAV) is an eight-wheeled, armored, amphibious vehicle mounting either a 25-millimeter cannon, anti-tank guided missile launcher or a mortar. There are also LAVs configured for logistics and communications recovery. The vehicles are road-safe and can travel at speeds of 62 miles per hour on roads and 6 mph in water, with a cruising range of approximately 400 miles. Possessing a Thermal Imaging Sight and fully stabilized turret for effective fire, day or night, stationary or moving, the LAV-25 carries a crew of seven, consisting of a driver, gunner, commander, and four scouts.

The active duty inspector-instructor staff is composed of one Marine officer, 13 enlisted Marines, and one Navy corpsman and is responsible for supervising, instructing, and assisting the Reserve company and providing technical support in administration, maintenance, and logistics.

The unit is located at the Pfc. Raymond Flair U.S. Army Reserve Center at 1120 Rocky Springs Road. For more information, call 301-619-2704.

Consolidated Customer Service Center

The Consolidated Customer Service Center (CCSC) is responsible for all Tier 1 Call Center Services and Incident Management for the Pentagon's Information Technology Agency (ITA) and other Department of Defense organizations in the National Capital Region. The CCSC provides support to over 45,000 customers on a 24 x 7 x 365 basis. They provide situational awareness to key management personnel and users of the Pentagon's Enterprise IT infrastructure. Additionally, the CCSC provides support for the call center operations of the Defense Continuity Integrated Network/Pentagon Continuity Information System. This system ensures the availability of mission critical information support command and control and continuity of business essential operations.

For more information, call 301-619-0400.

Defense Contract Management Agency/DCMA Baltimore

The Fort Detrick Defense Contract Management Agency is located in Building S-11 at 10 Porter Street, Suite 105. The mission of DCMA Baltimore is to provide acquisition and focused logistics support to America's armed forces in peace and war around-the-clock, around-the-world. For more information call, 301-619-4754.

The Integrated Clinical Systems (ICS) Program Management Office

The ICS centrally manages all imaging, image management, and major clinical systems which integrate with the DoD Electronic Medical Record.

Specific responsibilities include managing PACS, imaging, and teleradiology program initiatives, execution of the Technology Assessment and Requirements Analysis (TARA) program, and management of Information Assurance requirements for all medical devices.

Within ICS three subordinate product managers execute a patient-centric, system of systems approach to ensure timely delivery of affordable, sustainable, interoperable, and information assurance compliant capabilities in support of clinical requirements for fixed and deployed medical treatment facilities.

Joint Medical Logistics Functional Development Center

The mission of the Joint Medical Logistics Functional Development Center (JMLFDC) is to be the development center for the Defense Medical Logistics Standard Support (DMLSS) Program Office Family of Systems (FoS) applications. DMLSS FoS applications include the Common User Database used for product standardization; DMLSS Customer Assistance Module used primarily for deployed forces as a ordering tool; the Joint Medical Asset Repository used as a business intelligence tool and the DMLSS application used at over 200 sites worldwide for all facets of medical logistics. DMLSS integrates the medical logistics requirements of the four Services into a single automated medical logistics system known as DMLSS. The DMLSS Automated Information System (DMLSS AIS) provides state-of-the-art automated tools to enable the military health system to save money on the costs of pharmaceuticals, medical/surgical items, and equipment. The deployed DMLSS Electronic Commerce/Electronic Business tools have been combined with reengineering initiatives to streamline and optimize the business of medical logistics within the military health system. Employing a staff of over 230 military, civil service and contractor personnel, the JMLFDC has responsibilities for requirement integration, software design and development, testing, deployment, and sustainment support for the DMLSS AIS. JMLFDC develops functional process improvements with special focus on modeling and simulation, develops data and process models, maintains the medical logistics functional architecture, defines

functional requirements for the DMLSS AIS, develops implementation plans, identifies potential opportunities for updates to the functional economic analysis for the medical logistics service program managers, validates the DMLSS AIS functional performance and ensures compliance with directives governing functional activity program management.

JMLFDC is located at Fort Detrick in Frederick, MD to ensure functional activity program management initiatives are evolved, coordinated and tightly integrated with the applicable activities of the Defense Medical Standardization Board, U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency, Naval Medical Logistics Command and the Air Force Medical Logistics Office.



Defense Medical Standardization Board

The Defense Medical Standardization Board is a jointly staffed activity under the guidance of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs). The DMSB voting membership is composed of flag or general officers from each of the Military Services' Medical Departments, the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs), the Joint Chiefs of Staff (J-4), the Defense Logistics Agency, and U.S. Joint Forces Command. The DMSB's Staff Director and support staff are located at Fort Detrick. The DMSB's major mission elements include: the joint selection and standardization of medical materiel with a special focus on operational medicine; manager of selective, clinically relevant, databases for materiel selection; life-cycle manager of all medical National Stock Numbers (NSN); clinical oversight of DoD's medical materiel complaint program; collaborative resource for the medical materiel testing community; clinical consultant resource for the DoD; and administrative manager for the DoD/Food and Drug Administration Shelf-Life Extension Program (DoD/FDA SLEP). The DMSB holds summits and clinical panels to jointly develop medical materiel recommendations that are clinically driven, evidence based, and are actionable by the Services.

Medical Communications for Combat Casualty Care (MC4)

Medical Communications for Combat Casualty Care (MC4) develops fields and supports a medical information management system for Army tactical medical forces, enabling a comprehensive, life-long electronic medical record for all Servicemembers, and enhancing medical situational awareness for operational commanders. By accomplishing this mission, the MC4 Product Management Office (PMO) will have provided the Army's solution to Presidential and Congressional objectives, set-forth by Title 10 in 1997, which called for a medical tracking system for all deployed Servicemembers.

MC4 is a ruggedized system of systems containing medical software packages sent into theater to support deployed medical forces. Comprised of joint software (Theater Medical Information Program), and commercial-off-the-shelf and government-off-the-shelf products, MC4 provides the tools needed to record and transfer data from the foxhole to brick-and-mortar facilities worldwide. As a result, MC4 creates a bridge between the tactical and sustaining base IM/IT healthcare systems and connecting the battlefield to the Continental United States.

Deployed medical forces use the MC4 system to gain quick, accurate access to patient histories and forward casualty resuscitation information. The system also provides units with automated tools facilitating patient tracking, medical reporting and medical logistical support. Meanwhile, combatant commanders worldwide use the MC4 system to access medical surveillance information, resulting in enhanced medical situational awareness.

Most importantly, MC4 is helping deployed Soldiers. By equipping deployed medical units with automated resources, MC4 helps ensure Soldiers have a secure, accessible, life-long electronic medical record – which results in peace of mind for the Soldier and better-informed healthcare providers. For the first time in history, relevant medical data flows vertically throughout levels of healthcare and to joint medical databases, while simultaneously providing data horizontally into the Army Battle Command, Combat Service Support and Communications architecture.

MC4 in Action

MC4 was first deployed for contingency operations in 2003 and has since fielded more than 16,000 systems to deployed medical units throughout Iraq, Kuwait, Qatar and Afghanistan in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. Additionally, MC4 has trained approximately 17,250 users and continues to provide 24-7 global support via its help desk, three regional support centers and technical support teams through Europe and Southwest Asia.

Since 2003, MC4 has facilitated the transfer of more than 1 million electronic health records from the battlefield to the U.S. In 2006, MC4 enabled the 14th Combat Support Hospital in Afghanistan the ability to electronically record patient information, marking the first time deployed medical forces in Operation Enduring Freedom had such capabilities. MC4 also

released a new electronic post deployment health assessment (ePDHA) capability and opened a new European Support Site, providing European Command units access to using the MC4 system for the first time.

Exemplifying MC4's impact in 2006, the program garnered several awards, including; DoD CIO Team Award, Fed 100 Award, Top 20 Federal IM/IT Program by the American Council for Technology; Government Computer News IT Leadership Award; Arthur S. Flemming Award; Army Acquisition Excellence Award, Federal Computer Week Rising Star Award; Mobile Enterprise magazine's Mobilizer Award.

These accomplishments reinforce why MC4 is considered the most comprehensive information management medical system deployed to date.

Into the Future

The Army recognizes that the MC4 system is an evolving capability required to support current and emerging medical information technologies needed by deployed medical forces. That is why MC4 has become a complementary system to the Future Combat System and the Future Force Warrior System. By doing so, MC4 provides an interface to these systems that enables automated assessment and remote monitoring capabilities for deployed medical forces.

Headquartered at Fort Detrick, Md., MC4 is overseen by the Army Program Executive Office, Enterprise Information Systems (PEO EIS) at Fort Belvoir, Va.

For more information on MC4, visit www.mc4.army.mil, or subscribe to www.mc4.army.mil/mc4newsletter.



National Cancer Institute at Frederick

The National Cancer Institute's comprehensive program of basic, translational and clinical research is making unprecedented progress in understanding the molecular basis of cancer and developing novel strategies for the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other diseases.

The National Cancer Institute at Frederick (NCI-Frederick), a government-owned, contractor-operated facility, plays a vital role in NCI's accomplishments by housing research programs of the NCI Center for Cancer Research and the Division of Cancer Treatment and Diagnosis (Developmental Therapeutics Program). The four NCI-Frederick contractors conduct basic and applied research and provide research support programs in animal production, as well as computer and library services.

NCI-Frederick is an internationally recognized institution for interdisciplinary research into cancer causes, biology, diagnosis, and treatment. NCI-Frederick also provides support serv-

ices and conducts studies to develop AIDS vaccines and drugs for treatment of HIV/AIDS.

NCI-Frederick owns approximately 70 acres on Fort Detrick. More than 100 structures for administration, laboratory, and research support house approximately 2,700 contract and government employees.

Research at NCI-Frederick includes:

- Basic research into the fundamental biologic nature of cancer, cancer genetics, how tumors form, progress, and metastasize, and how they can be prevented and treated;
- Investigation of the role that unique viral agents, their components or products may play in human cancer;
- Basic and translational research in retro virology, including the study of viral populations and dynamics, mechanisms of genetic variation, drug resistance and development of new strategies for combating HIV/AIDS;
- Studies on the biology of cancer relating to potential for immunotherapy, chemotherapy, and pharmacogenetic therapy;
- Development, evaluation and production of natural products as chemotherapies for human cancer and HIV/AIDS;
- Development and evaluation of rapid, sensitive tests to screen for, detect, and monitor cancer and AIDS;
- Mechanism-of-action studies of environmental chemicals that are known or suspected carcinogens;
- Programs in environmental protection to establish effective standards of chemical and biological safety;
- Applied research for anti-tumor and antiviral drug design, discovery, development, and production;
- Application of computational and modeling methods and supercomputing technology to understand the structure and function of biological molecules;
- Research on mammalian genome organization and structure;
- Basic research into signaling pathways that control cellular growth, differentiation, gene expression, and embryonic development;
- Analysis of patients' samples in support of Phase I and II clinical studies;
- Expansion and maintenance of a repository of clinical samples for cancer epidemiology studies;
- Basic studies using macromolecular crystallography to gain insights into structure, assembly, and function of bio molecules.

Naval Medical Logistics Command

The Naval Medical Logistics Command (NAVMEDLOGCOM) is an echelon four command under the Navy Medicine Support Command (NMSC), Jacksonville, FL. NMLC assumed the naval medical logistics functions from the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED) on April 15, 1997. . NMLC has three activities under its command which are the Naval Ophthalmic Support and Training Activity located at Naval

Weapons Station, Yorktown, VA, the Navy Expeditionary Medical Support Command located at Cheatham Annex, Williamsburg, VA and the NAVMEDLOGCOM Pirmasens Germany Detachment. As the Medical Logistics Headquarters for the U.S. Navy, NAVMEDLOGCOM'S mission is to fulfill requirements and facilitate processes to meet the medical materiel and service needs of the shore establishments and Operational Forces. We provide our customers medical logistics support in the form of: product and service acquisition, health care contracting, equipment support, allowance configuration, business systems, legal assistance, logistics planning, policy, guidance and training.

The Expeditionary Medical Logistics Program provides comprehensive medical support to the fleet and Fleet Marine Forces engaged in combat operations. Shore-based expeditionary medical facilities complement and expand the afloat medical capabilities of the fleet and play a critical role in the Navy's doctrinal concept of overseas

theater support. They deliver definitive health care--surgical or other acute care as necessary--and stabilize, treat, and rehabilitate patients' in-theater.

The history of the NMLC began in 1850 with the establishment of the Naval Medical Supply Depot, Brooklyn, NY. The depot at that time produced medical supplies for the Medical Department of the Navy under the direction of Surgeon Benjamin F. Bache, U.S. Navy. On July 1, 1952, the U.S. Naval Medical Supply Depot was transferred to the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts and the Field Branch, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery was established. The Field Branch remained in Brooklyn until July 1965 when it moved to Philadelphia, PA. Organizational changes within the Navy and BUMED led to the disestablishment of the Field Branch and the establishment of the Naval Medical Materiel Support Command as a Navy shore activity in Philadelphia on December 1, 1973. In August 1985, the Naval Medical Materiel Support Command Detachment was formed and moved to Fort Detrick. The remaining members of the command moved to Fort Detrick in 1986. On June 1, 1990, the name of the command changed to the Naval Medical Logistics Command to reflect its broader logistics mission.

In November 2003, NMLC held its 150th birthday celebration showcasing its years of achievement and support to the United States Navy.

Secret Service

The U.S. Secret Service office at Fort Detrick is located at 1500 Porter St. and can be contacted at 301-293-6434. This office operates as liaison with the law enforcement community in Western Maryland.

Technology Applications Office

The Technology Applications Office (TAO) is a functionally integrated, task force organization designed to provide centralized, life-cycle management, engineering, fielding, and operation of information management programs supporting Headquarters, Department of the Army-approved missions.

TAO also provides operational support in identifying, developing, testing, and evaluating emerging technologies for interoperability and integration into information management equipment and systems.



Telemedicine and Advanced Technology Research Center

The Telemedicine and Advanced Technology Research Center (TATRC), an element of the Headquarters U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, is an organization composed of DOD military and civilian personnel, contractors, and staff from private industry and academia.

Telemedicine reflects a convergence of technological advances in a number of fields, including medicine, telecommunications, computer engineering, informatics, artificial intelligence, robotics, materials science, and perceptual psychology.

TATRC manages a variety of medical projects in many areas of telemedicine, such as tele-radiology, medical informatics, tele-surgical robotics and mentoring, and tele-dentistry. Responsibility for aggressive prototyping and demonstration of new technologies also rests with TATRC. Through partnerships with other government agencies and industry, TATRC carries out ongoing market surveillance with an eye toward leveraging investigative technologies in health care.

The goals of the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command Telemedicine Program are to provide technologies needed to incorporate health awareness into the battlespace awareness, provide force protection, reduce time to critical intervention for injured personnel, improve the skills and efficiency of care providers, and improve the quality of emergency care throughout the battlespace.

Advances in information and telecommunication technologies can be exploited to achieve a military advantage

through their application in medicine. TATRC always strives to bring this advantage to America's fighting forces. For more information on TATRC and its initiatives visit the Web site: www.tatrc.org.

U.S. Army Center for Environmental Health Research

The U.S. Army Center for Environmental Health Research (USACEHR) conducts research to protect U.S. forces from environmental exposures to toxic industrial chemicals that may be present in the theater of operations. The USACEHR is also a leader in the development of alternative animal models and sentinel species for evaluating toxic hazards in water, air, and soil.

Currently, the USACEHR's Army-funded research is divided into two categories. The first category is the development of an Environmental Sentinel Biomonitor (ESB) system, which uses biologically-based sensors to evaluate drinking water for toxic threats. USACEHR's first ESB system was an automated fish biomonitor that has been transitioned to commercial production. This aquatic biomonitor has multiple applications, including monitoring groundwater treatment effluents from hazardous waste sites, monitoring toxic algal blooms in local bodies of water, and monitoring both source and product drinking water supplies of several large metropolitan areas nationwide. An ongoing research effort is aimed at developing new enzyme- or cell-based biological sensor systems that may be more easily deployed for military use and that are directed toward more demanding user requirements such as field drinking water production.

The second research category applies the disciplines of genomic, proteomic and systems biology approaches to developing new toxicity testing methods (toxicogenomics) and the identification of biomarkers of exposure, effect, and susceptibility to toxic industrial chemicals. USACEHR uses both in vitro mammalian cell culture models and alternative (non-mam-



malian) species – a historical strength of this laboratory. The alternative species models provide many advantages in genomic and proteomic research, including well-characterized models for study, reduced husbandry and animal maintenance costs, and gene functions that are highly conserved across species, including mammals. The comparison of gene function across species facilitates the identification of responses to toxic exposures and increases the likelihood that candidate biomarkers will be verified in higher vertebrates and humans. Verified and validated biomarkers of exposure will provide the basis for the development of diagnostics and for identifying physiological opportunities for protection of the Soldier.

USACEHR scientists collaborate with a variety of organizations, including other U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command research laboratories, the Army's Center for Health Promotion and Preventative Medicine, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Health and Human Services, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, municipalities, universities and industrial partners. Such collaboration promotes synergy and provides the Army with access to a broad range of research expertise and product development capabilities in support of our mission. Because our nation supports a large research and development base in the environmental sciences and chemical/biological defense, USACEHR is able to leverage new information and innovative products being developed in these other laboratories and institutions against military environmental health requirements.

The US Army Center for Environmental Health Research combines state-of-the-art laboratory facilities and an outstanding cadre of scientists dedicated to protecting the warfighter from the medical effects of toxic industrial chemicals and materials presented in the water, air, and soil. More information on our activities is available at <http://www.usacehr.detrick.army.mil/>.

U.S. Army Garrison

The Headquarters, U.S. Army Garrison is the landlord of the installation and provides critical base operations support to Department of Defense and non-Department of Defense mission partners. Through its special and personal staff offices, the garrison provides public affairs support, legal advice, Chaplain services and Equal Employment programs, internal review and auditing, and military personnel. Many other aspects of base operations support are provided through several directorates.

The Directorate of Information Management provides command, control, communications, and computer information management support to the installation. It is charged with support of the network infrastructure, telephone services, electronic mail, internet availability, helpdesk operations, server hosting and consolidation services, and information assurance. The Directorate also supports records management and visual/audio/graphics services for the installation. Mission partners IM/IT projects are supported by the Directorate's certified Army Acquisition Workforce. Services are negotiated on a reimbursable basis.



The Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation is responsible for all the "well-being" programs and is designed to enhance morale and promote readiness. DMWR divisions include family readiness and Child and Youth Services. The Directorate of Community Support Programs provides services in the areas of military personnel, Army Substance Abuse Program and Detrick Center for Training and Education Excellence.

The Directorate of Installation Services was formed in 1995 as a result of Vice President Gore's National Performance Review to include consolidation of operations to adopt better business practices. DIS is a consolidation of the workforce and expertise in public works and logistics. DIS is the largest customer service oriented directorate in the Garrison at Fort Detrick, with approximately 170 employees dedicated to providing and maintaining Fort Detrick with the highest level of engineering, maintenance, utilities, housing, transportation, mail, freight, hazardous materials, master planning, government vehicle and supply management affordable in an era when the government's resources and budget are being reduced.

Installation Services maintains 1,142 acres, and various administrative buildings, research laboratories, communication facilities and morale welfare facilities. Several services are provided by DIS to those who live and work at Fort Detrick.

The Security, Plans, and Operations Office provides for public safety through security and intelligence monitoring, anti-terrorism and force protection analysis, and contingency plans development for Fort Detrick.

The Directorate of Emergency Services protects people and property. Trained firefighters and police officers are available for response 24-hours-a-day and seven-days-a-week. Other functions include law enforcement, traffic and visitor control, prevention and investigation of crimes, physical security, and vehicle, pet, bicycle, and weapon registration. A contract guard force headquartered in the PMO mans Fort Detrick's gates. The

Fort Detrick DES Fire and Emergency Services Division proudly protects the approximately 7,900 people living in a two-square-mile area. The department is a Federal department whose members are on a paid status. The DES F&ES division provides a variety of services to its military and civilian customers.

It serves laboratories, administrative and office occupancies, communications facilities, barracks and family housing areas with fire protection, crash fire and rescue, emergency medical services, confined space rescue and hazardous materials incident mitigation from the department's headquarters station. Public fire education and a proactive facility inspection campaign are administered by the career firefighters at Fort Detrick. Mutual aid response areas include portions of Frederick City for suppression activities, and Frederick County and vicinity for hazardous material incident response.

The Directorate of Resource Management provides a full range of resource and management services for the directorates and offices of the U.S. Army Garrison (USAG) Fort Detrick. This support includes such things as budget formulation and execution; managerial accounting; development, documentation and maintenance of the manpower and equipment TDAs; management of the Commercial Activities (CA) program; Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) support; Strategic Planning; and other management support programs. Additionally, it is the coordinating office for all Interagency Support Agreements (ISAs) between USAG organizations and supported Mission Partners.

The Safety, Environment and Integrated Planning Office manages the civilian resource conservation program, radiation program, hazardous materials management, natural resources, and real property planning. It ensures Fort Detrick meets or exceeds the environmental requirements to protect our natural and cultural resources.

The Installation Safety Division establishes guidelines and procedures to provide a safe and healthful work and living environment free from recognized hazards that are likely to cause death or serious physical harm. The numerous programs and actions include inspections and surveys throughout the installation covering a wide range of industrial operations to Family Child Care Provider home inspections.

Some of the work related programs include hazard communication, respiratory protection, confined space entry, radiation protection, and worker's compensation. They train Fort Detrick personnel in supervisor/collateral duty safety, safe child care for providers, HAZCOM, motorcycle safety, and accident reporting procedures to name a few. They advise and assist in accident and hazard reporting through safety committee meetings, group training, and one-on-one sessions. The concern for safety extends beyond the work place in their involvement with bow hunting, swimming, and many other recreational activities on Fort Detrick.

For more information about the U.S. Army Garrison and its services visit the Web site: www.detrick.army.mil.

U.S. Army Information Systems Engineering Command-Fort Detrick Engineering Directorate

The U.S. Army Information Systems Engineering Command - Fort Detrick Engineering Directorate is a critical element within U.S. Army Communications and Electronics Command (CECOM) located at Fort Monmouth, N.J. Its roots began in 1929 with the establishment of a Plant and Traffic Branch with the mission of performing engineering tasks for the Signal Corps. Over the years, the organization evolved through name, mission and location changes.

In 1972, the organization, then known as U.S. Army Communication Electronics Engineering Installation Agency-National Communication Command (USACEEIA-NCC), was established with a mission to support Strategic Communication Command-National Communication Command by performing communications-electronic engineering, installation, test and evaluation, and software development and maintenance for Defense Communication System (Army) and communications systems.

Later reorganizations saw other name changes, such as USACEEIA-CONUS (continental United States), U.S. Army Electronic Systems Engineering Installation Activity, and USAISEC-CONUS; and relocation to Fort Ritchie, Md. In October 1996, USAISEC, along with USAISEC-CONUS, were realigned under CECOM to continue its unique mission as the only Army Command in the CONUS performing information systems engineering, installation, testing, construction rehabilitation and removal of information systems and facilities.

The critical brigade level command supported CONUS-wide major commands, combat and strategic command, control, communications, computer systems for unified and specified commands and deployable forces in support of warfighting commanders in chief. The command served as the critical link in fulfilling the Army's Information Mission Area initiatives in nearly 152 far-flung CONUS installations as well as Department of Defense agencies, the White House, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Defense Information Systems Agency, National Security Agency, and the Department of the Army staff.

In October 1997, USAISEC-CONUS reorganized and was designated USAISEC-Fort Ritchie Engineering Office, becoming a directorate of the USAISEC. The move to Fort Detrick in September 1998 once again changed their designation, to USAISEC-Fort Detrick Engineering Directorate.

The U.S. Army Information Systems Engineering Command - Fort Detrick Engineering Directorate staff continues its unique mission as the provider of engineering, installation and testing of information systems and facilities throughout the Department of the Army as well as Defense Department agencies.



U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency

The U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency (USAMMA) is a unique, multifaceted organization globally managing strategic medical logistics contingency programs; medically equipping the active component, Army Reserve, and National Guard forces; and providing technical solutions at the medical treatment facilities.

A key pillar within the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, USAMMA's mission is to provide medical materiel lifecycle management and logistics solutions for the warfighter across the full spectrum of healthcare missions worldwide. True to this mission, the agency is continually improving its business practices and technology capabilities based on its vision that "Every healthcare provider has the required equipment and supplies to deliver optimal healthcare to America's Warfighters."

Through its four-core competencies USAMMA distinctly contributes to the Army Medical Department's (AMEDD) role in the Global War on Terrorism and as part of Army Transformation. USAMMA's core competencies are: (1) materiel acquisition and lifecycle management, (2) force projection and force sustainment, (3) medical logistics information and knowledge management, and (4) enterprise/organizational excellence.

As part of its role in materiel acquisition, USAMMA participates in and conducts technology watch, materiel development, acquisition logistics, and materiel distribution. Moreover, USAMMA manages medical sets, kits and outfits; and conducts medical maintenance management, engineering and operations. Fundamental to this role are the materiel assessment, procurement, fielding, and follow-on support for improved or new medical technologies at the field medical organizations and medical treatment facilities.

In the realm of force protection and force sustainment execution, USAMMA centrally manages several Army and Surgeon General contingency programs. These programs include the acquisition, storage, distribution, and transfer of pre-positioned stocks located ashore and afloat, as well as medical chemical defense packages and short shelf life pharmaceuticals and other materiel. Integral to this support are partnerships with defense organizations and industry. Critical to this core competency is USAMMA's deployable medical logistics support teams.

Further, USAMMA is constantly exploring and employing innovative methods to meld automated information technologies with logistics and transportation best business practices. Such focused logistics initiatives provide more efficient and accurate ways to deliver and manage precision packages and biomedical maintenance capabilities.

In the medical logistics information and knowledge arena, USAMMA performs functions such as unit assembly database management, medical cataloging, medical materiel quality control message management, automated information system management, and logistics evaluation and analysis. These functions result in numerous products designed to promote knowledge sharing and provide tools and techniques that enhance efficiency

and economy. In addition, the agency produces a variety of supply and maintenance publications, as well as, information papers and documents used by stakeholders and customers alike.

The agency's last core competency centers on the organization, or business enterprise, as a whole. This focus includes continually developing staff, incorporating new technologies, implementing innovative approaches, and measuring performance and business results. USAMMA's long-range approach for adopting and improving business practices and transforming the organization's structure to support the AMEDD and warfighter is called the URL, or USAMMA's Revolution in Logistics. The URL, both a business philosophy and methodology for achieving organizational excellence and long-term success, is the cornerstone of USAMMA's efforts to balance today's realities with tomorrow's expectations.

Notable achievements by USAMMA in this area of enterprise/organizational excellence include its new role as the Army medical set assembly manager; rapid hand-off of Army Pre-positioned Stocks during Operation Iraqi Freedom; Maintenance Divisions' recognition as ISO 9001-2000 quality management compliant; and winner of 2003 The Surgeon General's Excalibur Award in the Active Component, non-medical treatment facility category.

Finally, USAMMA's world-class reputation is the direct result of the outstanding leadership, work ethic, and selfless devotion of its highly talented military, civilian, and contractor staff. Essential to USAMMA's success now and into the future, this dedicated and professional staff work and live in locations around the world including Fort Detrick, MD; Tobyhanna, PA; Tracy, CA; Ogden, UT; Charleston, SC.; Germany; Korea; and Southwest Asia.

The U. S. Army Medical Materiel Development Activity (USAMMDA) is a subcommand of the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command (USAMRMC). USAMMDA is responsible for managing numerous products, devices, vaccines and diagnostics as they are transitioned through the Advanced Development life cycle and FDA approval.

USAMMDA's mission is to develop and manage medical materiel to protect and sustain the Warfighter on point for the Nation. This mission is accomplished by exercising three core capabilities:

- Advanced Product Development Program Management for the USAMRMC advanced development programs
- Regulated Activities of all protocols conducted using Investigational New Drugs (IND) applications or Investigational Device Exemptions (IDE). Activities include regulatory affairs, clinical trial monitoring, biostatistics, medical editing, regulatory training and communication with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA).
- Coordinate The Surgeon General's Executive Agent management of Force Health Protection INDs.

In addition, USAMMDA has the authorization to directly participate in the Army Domestic Technology Transfer Program

(ADTTP), through its Office of Research and Technology Applications (ORTA).

The program managers at USAMMDA guide the advanced development of medical products for the U.S. Army Medical Department, other U.S. Services, the Joint Staff, the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the U.S. Special Forces community. This process takes promising technology including all testing required for FDA approval or licensing, all testing, logistics support planning and programmatic documentation necessary for procurement and fielding of a finished product from Department of Defense (DoD) and academia to the Soldier.

Program Management

The USAMMDA program managers address critical readiness issues identified in user requirement documents to meet cost, schedule and performance objectives. Tailored procurement, rapid prototyping, and a variety of cooperative and contractual arrangements with academia and industry are among the most current acquisition procedures used. The USAMMDA staff's mix of technical and scientific expertise, acquisition training and experience, and knowledge of quality assurance and regulatory affairs is an asset that is unique within the DoD.

Examples of Advanced Development Efforts

- Ground-casualty evacuation platforms
- Field hospital equipment
- Expandable, portable medical surgical suite
- Hemorrhage control bandages
- Oxygen generation systems
- Drugs and vaccines that minimize, prevent, and/or treat infectious agents such as malaria, dengue, leishmaniasis, adenovirus, and many more.

Regulated Activities and Compliance

The Division of Regulated Activities and Compliance (DRAC) provides oversight for regulated activities for USAMRMC to support our U.S. Forces to the Office of The Surgeon General (OTSG), the Department of the Army sponsor's representative.

The division of DRAC is comprised of five primary operating branches: Clinical, Regulatory Affairs, Biostatistics, Internal Quality and Product Technical Operations. These branches ensure that the USAMRMC activities fulfill all regulatory requirements including regulatory filings, clinical monitoring, clinical data management and analysis and product testing and accountability. In addition DRAC acts as the liaison to the FDA and is responsible for directing, planning and implementing all regulatory activities for OTSG-sponsored products. This includes developing regulatory strategies for new product registration and submission to the appropriate regulatory agency.

To ensure regulatory compliance of OTSG-sponsored products, DRAC works with Chemical and Biological Medical Systems, Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Navy Medical Research Command, and external partners.

Medical Affairs

The Medical Affairs Division integrates the review of safety data regarding OTSG-sponsored products. In conjunction with RA, Medical Affairs coordinates the submission of expedited safety reports using existing RA information systems to maintain safety information and coordinate processes to ensure the required regulatory files are maintained. The division is in the process of coordinating the establishment of a comprehensive system of medical experts that supports each OTSG-sponsored product. Additionally, Medical Affairs is coordinating with RA, the Medical Research Information Technology System (MeRITS), Pharmaceutical Systems, and the investigator community on standards for safety data collection (e.g., standard sets for drug products, standard sets for vaccines) based on industry standards for Phase I, II, and III research – including standards for active versus passive surveillance. The division coordinates with RA for update of Investigator Brochures and preparation of IND annual reports, and is responsible for the supervision and direction of the Force Health Protection Branch.

The Force Health Protection (FHP) Branch, USAMMDA serves as the Executive Agency for the management of the DoD's FHP program. The mission of the FHP Branch is to plan, implement, and sustain DoD directed FHP Investigational New Drug (IND) protocols and to train the investigational staff in the execution of these protocols according to FDA regulatory guidelines. The FHP Branch currently has four product managers overseeing 10 IND protocols, who coordinate the myriad of administrative, clinical, and regulatory activities needed to successfully activate and sustain these protocols worldwide. In addition, the FHP Branch manages the Special Medical Augmentation Response Team – Investigational New Drug (SMART-IND) used in the development of the before mentioned contingency protocols.

Matrix Support

USAMMDA provides people and administrative support to Medical Communications for Combat Casualty Care (MC-4) and the Chemical and Biological Medical Systems Project Management Office (CBMS).

U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA).

USAMRAA is the acquisition arm of the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, providing business solutions to support its research, readiness, materiel development, information management/technology missions. USAMRAA provides both pre- and post-award total lifecycle contracting and assistance agreement (grants and cooperative agreements) services. USAMRAA's customers include the worldwide network of laboratories, program managers, materiel managers, the Fort Detrick U.S. Army Garrison, military and civilian tenant activities, and projects sponsored by The U.S. Army Surgeon General. USAMRAA provides business and acquisition services to Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs, the TRICARE



Management Activity and many other customers on a reimbursable basis through interservice support agreements.

Through its network of suppliers and institutions, USAMRAA acquires for its customers the products necessary to ensure the health and well-being of the U.S. warfighter, U.S. allies and the greater community.

USAMRAA is a strong supporter of competition in government contracting and of small businesses. It awards more than 90 percent of its contracts and assistance agreements competitively, and approximately 35 percent of actions go to small and small-disadvantaged businesses.

Contracting officers, serving as customer account representatives, and contract specialists partner closely with project managers, technical representatives, and leaders in business and academia. These teaming relationships ensure projects remain focused and best value business decisions are made in accordance with desired outcomes and applicable laws and regulations.

As an ISO (International Organization for Standardization) 9001-2000 certified enterprise, USAMRAA offers its diverse customer base the highest quality acquisition products and services through continual monitoring and testing of its processes and management systems. USAMRAA continues to be a nationally recognized leader in delivering the highest quality acquisition products in a global marketplace.

U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command

The U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command (USAMRMC) is a major subordinate command of the U.S. Army Medical Command responsible for lifecycle management of medical materiel, from basic laboratory research through advanced development, prototyping, procurement, delivery to units, maintenance and disposal. The USAMRMC is responsible for planning, programming and budgeting for construction of Army medical facilities and for corporate information manage-

ment and information technology requirements of the Army Medical Department.

Headquartered at Fort Detrick, Md., the USAMRMC operates six medical research laboratories and institutes in the United States. These laboratories make up the core science and technology capability of the command. They are centers of excellence in specific areas of biomedical research, staffed by highly qualified military and civilian scientists and support personnel. The command's in-house science and technology capabilities are enhanced by a large extramural contract research program and numerous cooperative research and development agreements with leading research and development organizations in the civilian sector.

The command also operates eight subordinate units exclusively focused on medical materiel development, contracting, medical logistics management, health facility planning, and information management and technology. Approximately 5,400 military, civilian and contractor personnel are assigned to the headquarters and 14 subordinate units. Officers, enlisted Servicemembers, and civilians provide a wide variety of medical, scientific, and technical expertise. Many of these personnel are among the most respected and knowledgeable specialists in their fields.

In addition to eight elements at Fort Detrick, USAMRMC operates units at the Forest Glen Annex of the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Silver Spring, Md.; Alexandria, Va.; Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.; Natick, Mass.; Fort Rucker, Ala.; Fort Sam Houston, Texas; and Pirmasens, Germany. The Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, one of USAMRMC's laboratories, operates overseas research units in Germany, Kenya, and Thailand.

The USAMRMC is the Department of Defense executive agent for medical chemical-and-biological defense research programs and combat maxillofacial surgery. It is also Defense Department lead agent for infectious disease research and military nutrition. Finally, it acts as the Department of Defense's manager of congressionally mandated, peer-reviewed research programs in breast cancer, prostate cancer, ovarian cancer, neurofibromatosis and military women's health.

U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases

The U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases (USAMRIID) conducts basic and applied research on biological threats resulting in medical solutions to protect the warfighter. USAMRIID is the lead medical research laboratory for the U.S. Biological Defense Research Program, and is the only laboratory in the Department of Defense (DoD) equipped to safely study highly hazardous infectious agents requiring maximum containment at Biosafety Level 4.

Institute scientists focus on the identification and initial development of medical countermeasures to protect military personnel against biological attack. These products include candidate vaccines and drugs, diagnostic capabilities, and med-



ical management procedures to minimize the effects of disease, preserve fighting strength, and maximize return to duty.

If exposure and illness do occur, rapid diagnosis is essential for proper treatment and medical management. USAMRIID scientists—often in collaboration with industry partners—develop new laboratory and field diagnostic methods for disease agents that pose a threat to U.S. armed forces.

Information is another key product of USAMRIID research. The Institute has a cadre of physicians who understand the unique diagnostic and therapeutic challenges of biological agents used in battlefield or terrorist situations. Over the past decade, USAMRIID has taken the lead in training military and civilian healthcare providers to recognize and treat biological casualties.

USAMRIID's laboratory facilities are unique and include 50,000 square feet of Biosafety Level 3 (BSL-3) containment laboratory space and 10,000 square feet of Biosafety Level 4 (BSL-4) maximum containment laboratory space. The Institute has an outstanding safety record and consistently meets or exceeds regulatory requirements for safety and ethics in biomedical research.

USAMRIID maintains several rapid response teams that can deploy on short notice upon request. Some teams provide training to personnel charged with establishing diagnostic laboratories in theaters of combat operations. Other teams specialize in rapid response to investigate disease outbreaks anywhere in the world, and can evacuate patients under BSL-4 isolation.

The Institute's military and civilian staff of 800 includes microbiologists, physicians, veterinarians, pathologists, chemists, molecular biologists, virologists, and pharmacologists, and the technical and administrative staff necessary to support the research. Over one-third of the USAMRIID staff has advanced degrees.

USAMRIID scientists are internationally recognized experts in their respective fields and are frequently sought to share that

expertise. They publish their research results in peer-reviewed scientific journals, present at national and international scientific meetings, hold faculty positions in their fields of study, and serve on numerous scientific committees and review boards.

In addition, USAMRIID collaborates with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the National Institutes of Health, the World Health Organization, the Department of Energy, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, industry partners, and academic centers of excellence worldwide.

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Foreign Disease Weed Science Research Unit

The Foreign Disease Weed Science Research Unit, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agriculture Research Service, identifies new, improved, and innovative methods for protecting crops against plant diseases and weeds.

Scientists emphasize studies of foreign plant diseases that pose potential threats to U.S. agriculture, biological weed control with plant pathogens, weed biology, host-pathogen interaction and molecular genetics of fungal pathogens.

Special attention is given to foreign diseases that threaten major food and fruit crops. Foreign beneficial plant pathogens are evaluated for possible biological control of weeds. Attempts are made to discover and develop alternative weed control strategies utilizing an integrated pest management system. Research efforts include:

- Laboratory and greenhouse study of selected pathogens to gain information on their disease causing potential to crops;
- Investigations on disease increase, spread and damage potential;
- Development of molecular "fingerprints" to rapidly detect and identify introduced pathogens;
- Molecular biology studies of host-pathogen interactions;
- Fundamental research on the biology of exotic plant pathogens for control of introduced weed species;
- Isolation and identification of beneficial plant pathogens for use in biological weed control;
- Discovery and manipulation of physiological mechanisms used by host plants in response to attack by plant pathogens.

The research program uses two laboratory-greenhouse complexes located on post in addition to separate storage buildings and research acreage. Both laboratory-greenhouse complexes are equipped with controlled environmental chambers that permit simulation and control of a wide range of plant growing regimes.

One of the laboratory-greenhouse complexes provides total containment that permits study of foreign plant pathogens with no danger to local agriculture. This capability allows this facility to serve as the federal quarantine introduction center for all imported plant disease pests.



MARYLAND

Annapolis Waterfront

Annapolis, Maryland is the state capital and is also known as the "sailboat capital of the world." Annapolis is the home of the United States Naval Academy and Saint John's College and is located at the mouth of the Severn River on the Chesapeake Bay.

Downtown in the Historic area, originally established in 1695, City Dock is a favorite place to visit. Known to local boaters as "Ego Alley," it is the weekend and evening scene of a steady parade of expensive yachts. There is plenty to eat and drink in the area, which is the site of the world's largest sailboat and power boat shows every October.

Antietam

1 mile north of Sharpsburg, Md.
on Route 65.
(301) 432-5124

www.nps.gov/anti/home

General Robert E. Lee's first invasion of the North culminated with the Battle of Antietam, in Maryland (or Sharpsburg, as the South called it). The battle took place on Wednesday, September 17, 1862, just 18 days after the Confederate victory at Second Manassas, 40 miles to the southeast in Virginia.

The Visitor Center houses the museum, an observation room, a 134-seat theater, bookstore, and research library. Open every day except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. Hours: June-Aug, 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Sept.-May, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. An all-inclusive park entrance fee of \$3.00 per adult, \$5.00 per family. Children 16 and under are free. Ask about Military Group rates.

Baltimore's Inner Harbor

One of America's oldest seaports and one of the world's newest travel destinations. Established in the seventeenth century, Baltimore Harbor has a rich maritime heritage and today is complemented by exciting attractions such as the National Aquarium and the Maryland Science Center.

The Inner Harbor is close to Fells Point and Little Italy with water taxis providing the opportunity to view the Baltimore's dramatic skyline on a leisurely cruise as well as transport to other exciting city locations.

Frederick Motor Co.

Catoctin Zoo

Thurmont, Md.

www.cwpzoo.com

Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo is a private, family-owned facility. Since 1966, animals have been our extended family! Wonderful adventures and exciting new animal friends await you in this 35-acre park. Get stalked by a tiger or jaguar, tell the tale, feel the breath of a bear, follow a fallow deer, or tickle a tortoise. We hope you enjoy our personal style of education and introduction, and these wonderful animals will become your extended family, too.

Frederick Keys

Frederick, Md.

301-815-9900; toll-free at

877-8GOKEYS

www.frederickkeys.com

Established in 1989, the Frederick Keys offer area families, business leaders, and civic groups a fun environment to be entertained. As an affiliate of the Baltimore Orioles, the Keys house professional baseball surrounded by promotions including Fireworks, national acts, bands, and giveaways!



Harpers Ferry

Harpers Ferry, W. Va. 25425

304-535-6298

www.nps.gov/hafe

Harpers Ferry National Historical Park is located at the confluence of the Potomac and Shenandoah rivers in the states of West Virginia, Virginia, and Maryland. George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Meriwether Lewis, John Brown, "Stonewall" Jackson, and Frederick Douglass are just a few of the prominent individuals who left their mark on this place.



Liberty Mountain Resort

and Conference Center

Carroll Valley, Pa. 17320

717-642-8282

www.skiliberty.com

Liberty Mountain Resort is conveniently located in the mountains of Southern Pennsylvania. Just one hour from both the Baltimore and Washington beltways, you can get away from it all with a very short drive. Skiing, snowboarding, snow tubing and other activities await you!



Maryland Renaissance Festival

Crownsville, Md.

The Maryland Renaissance Festival is a recreation of a 16th century English village. Our village is named Revel Grove, and is set on a beautiful 25-acre wooded site with 85 acres of free parking. The village consists of craft and food booths, five pubs, eight major stages, a Jousting Arena and lots of games. Gates open at 10:30 am, but you'll want to start the day with the King's Wel-



come outside the front gate at 10:15. The Maryland Renaissance Festival is a perfect family outing, in easy reach from both Baltimore and Washington, D.C. We are in operation from 10:30 a.m. until 7 p.m. Come early, for a full day of fun awaits!

PENNSYLVANIA

Hershey Park

www.hersheypa.com

Rated the #1 Amusement Park in the Northeast by Family-Fun Magazine, HERSHEY PARK offers fun and excitement for every member of the family! Hershey Park is home to over 60 rides and attractions, including 10 thrilling roller coasters, 6 water rides, more than two dozen kiddie rides, food, entertainment, games and shopping.

Historic Gettysburg

Gettysburg, Pa.

www.gettysburgcvb.org

Every year, nearly two million people visit the site of the Battle of Gettysburg, turning point of the Civil War and site of President Abraham Lincoln's famed address. But the richness of this historical area extends well beyond the first three days in July, 1863.

In Gettysburg, you can also experience more than 200 years of history at the Adams County Historical Society or enjoy a scenic drive through the largest fruit belt in Pennsylvania, or through the 18th century with one of the Gettysburg Convention and Visitors Bureau's county driving tours.



VIRGINIA

Arlington National Cemetery

Memorial Bridge and Jefferson Davis Highway

Arlington, Va

703-607-8052

Tomb of the Unknowns, Amphitheater, Arlington House and the grave of President John F. Kennedy. Changing of the guard at the tomb every half hour in the summer and every hour the rest of the year. Open daily; April - September, 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.; October - March, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closest Metro: Arlington Cemetery.

Busch Gardens Williamsburg

Williamsburg, Va.

757-253-3350

www.buschgardens.com

Busch Gardens Williamsburg is an action-packed, European-themed park with 17th century charm and 21st century technology, boasting more than 100 acres of unparalleled fun and adventure for the entire family. "America's Most Beautiful Theme Park" is home to the world's top-rated roller coasters, more than 40 thrilling rides and attractions, eight mainstage shows, a wide variety of award-winning foods and world-class shops, and a magical children's area.



Three miles east of historic Williamsburg, Va., and 150 miles from Washington, D.C., the park is open weekends in March, daily April 6 through Sept. 3 and then weekends until end of Oct.

Luray Caverns

970 U.S. Hwy. 211 West
Luray, Va.
540-743-6551
www.luraycaverns.com



Located near the Shenandoah National Park, the Luray Caverns is one of the largest caverns in the East. The caverns feature the world's only stalacpipe organ, which produces music of symphonic quality from the rock formations.

The temperature in the caverns averages 54 degrees, so be sure to dress appropriately. Luray Caverns is open every day of the year. Guided tours depart about every 20 minutes. Open: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily

Monticello

Charlottesville, Va.
(434) 984-9800 (recorded information)
(434) 984-9822 (public affairs)
www.monticello.org
Monticello, home of Thomas Jefferson, third president of



the United States. Explore Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's mountaintop home, gardens, and plantation. Located in the Virginia Piedmont, Monticello is about two miles southeast of Charlottesville and approximately 125 miles from Washington, D.C.; 110 miles from Williamsburg, Virginia; and 70 miles from Richmond, Virginia. March 1 - Oct. 31: 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Nov. 1 - Feb. 28: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Open every day of the year, including Sundays, except Christmas.

Paramount's Kings Dominion

Doswell, Va. (I-95, exit 98)
804-876-5000
www.kingsdominion.com



Allow the screams to wail in this 320-acre amusement park that features the stand-up looping roller coaster, the Shockwave. Now home of the largest drop ride in North America, a 305-foot tower of thrills that promises daring riders a 272-foot descent at 72 miles-per-hour! Other rides include the wooden coasters, the Rebel Yell and the Grizzly, and WaterWorks, a 19-acre water park extravaganza. The park consists of five theme areas including European-style buildings, a 33-story replica of the Eiffel Tower, and a monorail ride through a 120-acre wildlife preserve. Live shows are also presented throughout the day. Open Memorial Day through Labor Day and weekends April - May, Sept. - Oct.

Enterprise Rent A Car

Everedy Sq./Shab Row

Wolf Trap Farm Park

for the Performing Arts
1624 Trap Road, Vienna, Va 22182
703-218-6500
Filene Center - 703-255-1900
Theater-in-the-Woods - 703-255-1827
The Barns of Wolf Trap - 703-938-2404
www.wolftrap.org



Located at America's National Park for the Performing Arts, Wolf Trap's majestic Filene Center provides the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area with a magical outdoor venue for world-class performances of every genre. Operated in partnership with the National Park Service, the Filene Center houses over 90 performances annually from late May to early September, as well as a variety of education programs, artist master classes, special events and a yearly Holiday Sing-A-Long for families and friends throughout the community.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial

900 Ohio Drive S.W.
Washington, D.C.
Metro: Smithsonian



The Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial is a landscape of four outdoor rooms with granite walls, statuary, inscriptions, waterfalls and thousands of plants, shrubs and trees along the famous cherry tree walk on the Tidal Basin in West Potomac Park. Each of Roosevelt's four terms in office are portrayed by American sculptors whose works in bronze bas-relief and sculptured figures relate memories of the man and his times to an enclosed landscape emphasizing ornamental trees and shrubs native to the mid-Atlantic region.

John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts

2700 F Street N.W., Washington, D.C.
202-467-4600
202-416-8341 - Group information
Metro: Foggy Bottom-GWU
Shuttle available
www.kennedy-center.org



Overlooking the Potomac River in Washington, D.C. the nation's busiest arts facility, presenting more than 3,300 performances each year for audiences numbering more than 2 million. The Kennedy Center continues to fulfill his vision by producing and presenting an unmatched variety of theater and musicals, dance and ballet, orchestral, chamber, jazz, popular and folk music, and multi-media performances for all ages.

The Kennedy Center contains the Opera House, Concert

Archstone Smith

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Hall, Eisenhower Theater, the Terrace Theater, Hall of Nations, and the American Film Institute Theater. The Millennium Stage presents free performances in the Grand Foyer every night at 6 p.m. Open daily for public viewing, 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Korean War Veterans Memorial

Across the Reflecting Pool from the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on the Mall, Washington, D.C.

Metro: Foggy Bottom-GWU or Smithsonian

202-426-6841 (Park Service National Mall number)

Commemorating the 628,000 troops who were killed in the Korean "conflict", this memorial consists of 19 giant polished steel statues. On an adjacent black granite wall, you can see more than 2,000 photographic images from the war, have been sandblasted onto the wall. Open daily, 8 a.m. - midnight.

Lincoln Memorial

West End of The Mall, near 23rd Street N.W.

Washington, D.C.

202-426-6895

The classic Greek temple memorial is located at West Potomac Park. This grand memorial overlooks the Reflecting Pool. Inside, the 19-foot marble statue of the 16th president is flanked by inscriptions of his Gettysburg Address and his second inaugural address. Open daily, 8 a.m. - midnight.

National Zoological Park

3001 Connecticut Ave. N.W.

Washington, D.C.

202-673-4800

Metro: Cleveland Park or Woodley
Park-National Zoo

www.nat zoo.si.edu



Highlights include the Great Flight Cage, Amazonia and the Great Ape House. Visit creatures ranging from giraffes to boa constrictors to big cats to the new panda bears. Open daily, except Christmas. From May 1 - Sept. 15 - animal buildings are open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and the grounds are open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. From Sept. 16 - April 30, animal buildings are open 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and grounds open 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Free.

U.S. Botanic Gardens

1st and Independence Avenues, S.W.

Washington, D.C.

202-225-7099

www.aoc.gov



The United States Botanic Garden is a living plant museum. It is open daily, free of charge, from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Exhibits interpret the role of plants in supporting earth's diverse and fragile ecosystems and in enriching human life. Public displays are located in the Conservatory, on the surrounding terrace gardens, and in adjacent Bartholdi Park. Established by Congress in 1820, the U.S. Botanic Garden is one of the oldest in North America.

Frederick YMCA



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